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ITEM 1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (105 EX/I Rev. and Add. 1 and 2)

At its first meeting, the Executive Board adopted the agenda set out in document 105 EX/I Rev. ; at its thirteenth meeting, the Board decided to include in its agenda item 9.4 "Communication from the Prime Minister of Dominica. Request for the admission of Dominica as a member of Unesco" ; at its twenty-eighth meeting, it decided to include in its agenda item 1.1 "Resignation and replacement of a member of the Executive Board".

The Board decided to refer to the Commissions the following items of the agenda:

1. To the Programme and External Relations Commission:  
items 4.6, 5.2.1, 5.2.2, 5.2.3, 5.2.4, 5.3.1, 5.4.2, 5.5.2, 5.5.4, 5.6.1, 5.7.1, 7.1.1, 7.1.3 and 7.2.

(At its eighteenth meeting, the Board decided to postpone consideration of items 5.4.2, 5.7.1 and 7.2 to a subsequent session.)

2. To the Finance and Administrative Commission:

items 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, 8.9, 8.10.1, 8.10.2 and 8.13.

(105 EX/SR.1, 2, 13, 18 and 28)

1.1 Resignation and replacement of a member of the Executive Board (105 EX/NOM. 1)

The Board accepted the resignation of Mr. Jens Petersen (Federal Republic of Germany) and, in accordance with Article V .4 (a) of the Constitution, appointed Mr. Wilhelm Fabricius to replace him for the remainder of his term of office.

(105 EX/SR .28)

ITEM 2 APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE 104th SESSION (104 EX/SR. 1-35)

The Executive Board approved the summary records of its 104th session.

(105 EX/SR .27)

ITEM 3 METHODS OF WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION

3.1 Executive Board

3.1.1 Organization of the session (105 EX/51)

The Executive Board approved the proposals of the Bureau contained in document 105 EX/51.

(105 EX/SR.2, 7)

3.1.2 Consideration by the Board of the main lines of the report on the activities of the Board submitted by the Chairman to the twentieth session of the General Conference (105 EX/2 Rev. )

The Executive Board took note of document 105 EX/2 Rev.

(105 EX/SR. 2)

3.2 United Nations Joint Inspection Unit

3.2.1 Seventh report of the Director-General on follow-up action on the recommendations of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit (105 EX/3 and Add. ) and report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered the seventh report of the Director-General on follow-up action on the recommendations of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit (105 EX/3 and Add. ) and the report of the Special Committee thereon (105 EX/4),
2. Takes note of these reports.

(105 EX/SR. 25)

3.3 Reports of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit

3.3.1 Report on women in the Professional category and above in the United Nations system (JIU/REP/77/7) (105 EX/5) and report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/5 and the report of its Special Committee thereon (105 EX/4),
2. Takes note of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) "Women in the Professional category and above in the United Nations system" (JIU/REP/77/7) and of the Director-General's observations thereon;
3. Invites the Director-General to communicate to the JIU, the International Civil Service Commission and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination (ACC) the Special Committee's report (105 EX/4) on this item so that the views contained therein may be taken into consideration by the ACC in preparing its comments on the JIU report, which it will submit to the Economic and Social Council;
4. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) To pursue his efforts to further improve the status of women in Unesco;
  - (b) To take whatever action is necessary to encourage, in conditions of equality with men, the access of women in the Professional category to posts of a higher level;
  - (c) To study ways in which the provisions which still prevent the employment of married couples might be made more flexible to facilitate the recruitment of a larger number of women;
5. Urges Member States to give priority to women candidates when making nominations for vacancies.

(105 EX/SR. 25)

3.3.2 Report on the role of experts in development co-operation (JIU/REP/78/3) (105 EX/6 and Add. ) and report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/6 and Add. and the report of the Special Committee thereon (105 EX/4),
2. Taking note of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU), of the joint comments of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the organizations of the United Nations system concerning the JIU report, and of the decision of the UNDP Governing Council adopted at its 25th session and endorsed by the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session in 1978,
3. Approves the conclusions and recommendations formulated in the said decision ;
4. Requests the Director-General to communicate to the Joint Inspection Unit and to the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination the report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4) on this item, together with this decision;
5. Also requests the Director-General to report to the Executive Board on the results of the measures adopted in pursuance of paragraph 5 of the decision of the UNDP Governing Council.

(105 EX/SR. 25)

ITEM 4 DRAFT MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR 1977-1982 (20 C/4), DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 1979-1980 (20 C/5) AND OTHER QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING OF THE ORGANIZATION'S ACTIVITIES

4.1 20 C/4 - "Postface": General survey of the evolution of world problems in Unesco's fields of competence (20 C/4. II)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the Postface to the Draft Adjustments to the Medium-Term Plan (20 C/4.11),
2. Notes with satisfaction that this document, which contains a broadly-based review of problems arising at present in the fields of competence of the Organization, constitutes a significant contribution to the process of the constant checking of the relevance of Unesco's activities to the world situation ;
3. Considers that in the light of this review the main lines of emphasis in the Medium-Term Plan may be regarded as retaining their validity and that, in particular, there is no immediate need to contemplate adjustments to the Plan other than those proposed in document 20 C/4.1;
4. Notes that the Director-General intends to carry out long-term studies as a first stage in the preparation of the Second Medium-Term Plan;
5. Recommends that the General Conference approve this proposal, which should make it possible to discern more accurately the priority policy objectives on which this Plan should be based.

(105 EX/SR.13,14,15,16,18,26)

4.2 Final observations of the Executive Board on the Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980 (20 C/5)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 104 EX/Decision 4.2, by which it submitted the Director-General's proposed Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980 (20 C/5) to the General Conference for its favourable consideration, with the observations made concerning this draft document during its examination in the plenary meetings and the meetings of the Commissions which were held at the 104th session of the Board,
2. Submits to the General Conference the final comments below, together with an analysis of document 20 C/5 prepared with a view to facilitating the work of the Conference.

I. COMMENTS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Introduction

1. The proposed programme received the general approbation and support of the Executive Board
2. It takes full account of the directives of the General Conference, as they emerge from the Medium-Term Plan (19 C/4 Approved) and from the resolutions adopted, particularly at the nineteenth session. It follows closely, in both substance and form, the directives of the Executive Board and also takes proper notice of the recommendations made by intergovernmental conferences and by various intergovernmental committees or councils established by the General Conference.
3. In its general orientation, well summarized in the Director-General's Introduction, the programme gives priority to the major problems of mankind and reveals an acute awareness of the Organization's responsibilities, particularly with regard to the establishment of a new international economic order, as broadened to include social and cultural dimensions and the promotion of human rights, peace and the development of all societies with a view to the creation of a juster and more united world.
4. Derived from the permanent goals of the Organization, the programme shows a concern for the realistic adaptation of action to the demands of the present and to innovations characteristic of the contemporary world. It emphasizes the interdisciplinary nature of the approach needed to understand and resolve the world's problems, and its specific provisions are based, to a large extent, on that approach.
5. To the world view which underscores the universal nature of the Organization's mission the programme adds a series of regional perspectives which deserve increasing attention.

6. Taken as a whole the programme is such as to enhance Unesco's role in the furtherance of international co-operation.
7. Before going on to specific consideration of the programme, attention is drawn to general issues : decentralization, modalities of programme execution and presentation of the programme.
8. Decentralization is an important requirement. It is already well on the way in the domain of education, since approximately 40 per cent of Professional staff employed under the Regular Programme in this sector are now working away from Paris.
9. The success, in particular, of the Regional Office for Education in Asia and Oceania in Bangkok, in co-ordinating intersectoral regional activities and in carrying out programmes which attract external funds, bears witness to the value to the Organization as a whole, as well as to the regions, of carefully considered policies of decentralization. This experience should be extended as a model to other regions, as circumstances permit.
10. The decentralization of personnel and programmes should be continued, bearing in mind specific situations in each region, and in some sectors further progress should be made in the transfer of staff and programmes, and the delegation of responsibility, from Headquarters to Regional Offices.
11. As regards the ways and means proposed for executing the programme, while studies or meetings are admittedly essential in carrying out the work of international reflection which it is Unesco's mission to accomplish, there should be increasing use of methods which are directly action-oriented.
12. At the same time, Unesco should strengthen its links with international communities in the fields of science, literature and the arts. In all fields it is necessary, in the execution of programmes, to enlist the support of men and women to be found in the forefront of intellectual and artistic life, whose thinking and work are both vigorous and original in all areas of Unesco's competence. In this connection, co-operation with international non-governmental organizations is of cardinal importance.
13. As far as its presentation is concerned, document 20 C/5 has been drawn up in strict compliance with the directives laid down by the Executive Board at its 103rd session. The manner in which the programme has been put together, firstly by sectoral chapters and then by objectives and themes, is considered most satisfactory and represents a significant step forward in terms of clarity and transparency.
14. The innovation whereby the results expected on completion of the action envisaged are set out for each programme theme is to be commended, since provision for evaluation is thus brought into the C/5 document. It is noted that efforts will be made to ensure that this will be more explicit and precise in future documents.
15. The general resolutions at the head of each of the first four chapters in Part II give a clear definition of the overall orientation of the proposed programme and they should prove very useful for the discussions in the Programme Commissions of the General Conference, as the starting-point for a preliminary debate and as background material for the drafting of conclusions once the relevant chapters have been examined.

#### A. Education

16. Where education is concerned, the proposed programme was generally approved. While following the broad lines of those of previous biennia, it takes better account of major contemporary problems. The programme is based on a conception of education that is geared as much to the needs and aspirations of individuals as to the goals of society.
17. The interdisciplinary nature of the activities proposed is more pronounced than formerly and they tie in more closely with activities contemplated for other sectors.
18. The three most characteristic aspects of the programme which were widely supported are:
  - the emphasis placed on the relations between education and productive work, it being understood that the integration of productive work into the educational process should not reduce education to the utilitarian purpose of providing vocational training;
  - the strengthening of links between in-school and out-of-school education;
  - the importance attached to prospective reflection on education in the context of the future outlook for societies.
19. It would seem desirable to continue the efforts to ensure a greater concentration of the programme, in particular by making better use of the possibilities which are offered by its innovative aspects and especially the approaches mentioned above.
20. The action designed to give real effect to the right to education and to promote the democratization of education represents an important thrust of the programme; it is to be welcomed both for its general aspects - involving normative action and studies under Objective 1.1 - and for its specific activities relating to particular population groups.

21. The scope of activities in favour of migrant workers (Objective 1.2) should be broadened, in particular to cover matters other than the teaching of the mother tongue, although the importance of this is self-evident. The problems of national minorities should be given more attention.
22. The proposed programme on behalf of girls and women (Objectives 1.3/6.3) should be strengthened, and stress should be laid on technical and vocational education and on the need to profit more, in general, from the positive experience that can be observed in a number of countries. Educational action in favour of refugees and national liberation movements should receive a larger share of extra-budgetary resources (Objective 1.4).
23. A major goal of education lies in the contribution it can make to international understanding, peace, human rights and fundamental freedoms (Objectives 1.5/2.3). In implementing this programme, a key concern of which must be the problem of disarmament, interdisciplinary approaches should be adopted. The results obtained through the system of Associated Schools should be carefully evaluated, and increased importance should be attached to the possibilities of co-operation with Unesco Clubs.
24. The activities relating to technical and vocational education (Objective 4.3) should represent a central and increasingly important component of the Organization's programme, and it is a source of satisfaction to note the prospects that are held out in document 20 C/4.1, which presents for the approval of the General Conference a new objective (Objective 5.8) devoted to this form of education, which is a key factor in development. Particular attention must be devoted to the different aspects of the relations existing between education and the world of work, whether these involve the links between school and industry, the relevance of training to employment needs or the attitudes of young people to working life.
25. As for general science and technology education (Objective 4.4) the scope of the programme proposed should be assessed in the light of the follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development.
26. Support should be given to the proposal for an exhaustive consideration of the future development of education (Objective 5.1), it being understood that the proposed study should be carried out in relation to the symposium on trends in educational content envisaged elsewhere (Objective 5.4, paragraph 1375 of document 20 C/5). The proposals for the organization of intergovernmental conferences in Europe and in Latin America and the Caribbean are welcomed.
27. The continuation of the programme for educational buildings and equipment (Objective 5.2) is supported, since the attempt to find inexpensive solutions and use equipment efficiently is a determining factor in the advance of education, particularly in the developing countries.
28. The importance of the activities relating to special education (Objective 5.3) unanimously recognized by members of the Board, calls for an appreciable increase in the inadequate means provided. Efforts should be made to reconsider the content of these activities, having regard to the educational needs of different categories of handicapped persons and to the special difficulties encountered in the learning process by many children and young people who are not, strictly speaking, "handicapped". The programme in early childhood education does not seem to reflect adequately world interest in this field. The programme relating to the International Year of the Child is well designed but, because of the structure of document 20 C/5, activities presented under different headings, according to the sectors and objectives to which they are related, do not appear as an integrated whole. It might be desirable to summarize them in an annex.
29. The establishment of regional networks for educational innovation (Objective 5.4) has proved a successful technique, especially in Asia, and the continuation and extension of the activities undertaken should be encouraged. Exchanges of information among regions, especially through the International Bureau of Education, deserve support. One area in which exchanges of ideas and experience are particularly important concerns the forging of links between formal and non-formal education.
30. Mention should be made of the development of activities connected with physical education and sport (Objective 5.4), which are to become the subject of a new intergovernmental programme if the General Conference, as would seem desirable, approves the setting up of an Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport.
31. The programme proposed for the training of education personnel seems satisfactory, it being understood that training courses will have to be geared to the reforms affecting the different elements in educational systems and that the contribution which can be made to education by persons other than teachers will have to be properly accentuated.
32. The specific adult education programme (Objective 5.6) is generally approved. It should be noted that under other objectives there are many activities concerned with the education of adults.
33. Satisfaction can be derived from the alignment of the activities in terms of the contribution of higher education (Objective 5.7) to the democratization of education and to economic, social and cultural development. There should be widespread support for continued regional co-operation activities, not only in Europe and Latin America, but in other areas also, and for the advancement of the programme relating to recognition of studies and diplomas.

34. One of the most serious world problems still confronting education is that of illiteracy, and great stress should be laid on literacy work during the Third United Nations Development Decade. The proposed activities (Objective 6.1), which merit approval, acquire their full significance when considered in conjunction with those planned under Objective 6.2 (Integrated rural development). Involvement of the total communities and the use of mother tongues are features of these programmes which call for special attention.

35. The activities connected with education relating to the use of drugs (Objective 6.5) are well thought out, but the drug problem, as a whole, seems peripheral to the Organization's fields of competence.

36. The relevance of the proposed activities relating to environmental education is recognized; it is emphasized, in this respect, that the intention should not be to create a distinct new discipline but to promote the inclusion of environmental preoccupations in overall study programmes. The proposals concerning population education deserve support (Objective 8.1).

37. The programme relating to information systems and services (Objective 10.1) should be encouraged; the importance of establishing an international information network in education should be stressed; emphasis should also be placed on improvement of the dissemination of information emanating from the programme of the Organization itself.

38. The activities of the International Bureau of Education, the International Institute for Educational Planning and the Unesco Institute for Education in Hamburg, whose quality is recognized, should continue to receive strong support, and should be allocated a greater proportion of the studies planned in the education programme.

#### B. Natural Sciences

39. The natural science programme received universal support. The budgetary growth rate accorded to it (8.9%) is higher than for the other parts of the programme, but, in view of the fundamental importance of science and technology in the modern world, the resources allocated to natural sciences in the budget should be augmented and the proportion of the total budget that they represent should be increased.

40. The main trends of the programme are sound. This programme, which is linked to scientific co-operation at the world, regional and national levels, devotes considerable attention to problems that are of vital concern to mankind and aims to promote the endogenous development of science and technology and to harness scientific and technical progress to serve the economic, social and cultural development needs of all countries. In particular, it is better adapted than formerly to the needs of developing societies.

41. In its interaction with society, science displays its two complementary aspects: on the one hand a universality that characterizes its results and practices, thus making them liable to objective analysis and possible rebuttal and, on the other, a responsiveness to the cultural and social milieu surrounding the scientific enterprise, that reflects the fact that only when science is rooted in its community can it respond appropriately to the needs and hopes of that community. The existence of a vigorous national scientific and technological community is thus an essential prerequisite for the development and prosperity of every nation.

42. Unesco's programmes have always reflected this dual character of the scientific enterprise and they should do so increasingly, in particular by maintaining the appropriate balance between national, regional and international programmes.

43. The closer relationship established in the programme between the problems of science and technology and those of society and human needs is noted with satisfaction, as was the interdisciplinary approach adopted for this purpose. Stress should nevertheless be laid on the need to continue to strengthen the interdisciplinary approach throughout the total programme and the contribution which the natural sciences can make to this.

44. The need for the Organization to play a major role in the preparation and conduct of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development is emphasized. It is important to ensure that the Organization's contribution to the Conference is one that only Unesco could make, and that it is ready to undertake the follow-up activities entailed by the Conference.

45. The continuing emphasis placed on the major intergovernmental scientific programmes (MAB, IHP, IGCP and IOC) is one of the most satisfactory features of the science programme. The possibility of initiating new intergovernmental scientific programmes (for instance, in the fields of energy and informatics) might usefully be considered. The need to maintain a balance between world-wide and regional activities is underlined. A clearer distinction should be drawn between science and technology.

46. Emphasis should be placed on the need to maintain and reinforce close links with the international scientific community, particularly with the International Council of Scientific Unions and its constituent bodies. This would reinforce the credibility and effectiveness of the Organization's work in the scientific field.



47. While basic and applied research are both necessary to the development of science and technology everywhere, particular emphasis should be put in developing countries on applied research, and this should be increasingly reflected in Unesco's scientific and technological programmes. These programmes should also favour action-oriented projects rather than studies or meetings with less tangible effects.

48. The training of personnel in the developing countries is an important activity, which is supported; resources, are however, inadequate.

49. The activities relating to interactions between science, technology and society (Objective 4.1) are welcomed, especially those concerning the historical development of science and technology and the ethical and social responsibility of scientists. Those activities could be given additional resources; but it seems desirable to provide a clearer, more precise description of proposed programme actions. An effort should be made to broaden the readership of the journal "Impact", which should give more attention to scientific and technical issues relating to development.

50. The nature of scientific research, as a social phenomenon requiring considerable resources to be made available to it by society, justifies the importance attached to the elaboration of national policies. Problems of procedure and organization connected with the formulation of such policies should not, however, be allowed to obscure the substantive issues, and it should not be forgotten that, by its very nature, creative thinking demands that the greatest freedom should be given to research workers in the planning and execution of their work.

51. Stress is laid on the importance and relevance of research and training activities and of international and regional co-operation in the basic sciences and technology, proposed under Objective 4.3. Increased concentration and clearer structuring nevertheless seem desirable in this part of the programme. The extension and intensification of activities relating to energy, especially the non-conventional forms of energy, could be envisaged. The importance of regional scientific centres cannot be over-emphasized.

52. The introduction of new activities in support of integrated rural development (Objective 6.2) is noted with satisfaction. This constructive step could benefit from increased resources.

53. There is support for the development of the International Geological Correlation Programme (IGCP) and of other research and training activities relating to the earth sciences (Objective 7.1), on the understanding that priorities must be laid down for projects. The multiplication of projects under IGCP should be avoided. The multidisciplinary approach adopted for the study of natural hazards is approved.

54. The activities relating to terrestrial biological resources (Objective 7.2)) and in particular those coming under the Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB), merit unconditional support. The interdisciplinary approach, associating the natural and the social sciences, is a satisfactory feature of this Programme. Its activities should be increasingly focused on priority matters, especially those relating to the humid tropical regions and arid zones, while maintaining a necessary balance between regional and international activities and assuring for scientists from all countries the widest possible access to these activities.

55. The activities relating to water resources (Objective 7.3)) especially the International Hydrological Programme (IHP), have general approval. Special attention should be given to training, in particular to advanced educational programmes and to the rational management of water resources. The need to strengthen co-operation with other international organizations is stressed and the proposed arrangements for the preparation of the second stage of IHP are noted.

56. Attention is drawn to the importance of the activities carried out in the field of the marine sciences (Objective 7.4)) especially by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC). It seems desirable to upgrade the status of IOC within Unesco and to increase its resources so that it may carry out the increased responsibilities falling to it as a result of developments in the law of the sea, especially in connection with the co-ordination of the programme on the marine sciences within the United Nations system as a whole. The provisions adopted should discourage separatist tendencies to ensure that IOC remains an independent structure within Unesco. Relations between IOC and the Division of Marine Sciences call for constant attention.

57. The interest attached to the activities relating to the environment and human settlements (Objective 7.5) and to the preservation of the natural heritage (Objective 7.6) should be noted; this interest is manifest in particular in the increasing participation by Member States, through the Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB), in studies on human settlements considered as ecosystems and in the establishment of the international network of biosphere reserves. The scope of the studies provided for under Objective 7.7 (Education and information relating to the environment) is also pointed out and due note is taken of the fact that they will be co-ordinated with the activities proposed for the same objective in chapter 1 - Education.

58. With regard to Objective 10.1 (Information systems and services), emphasis is laid on the need to co-ordinate the activities connected with the SPINES pilot programme with those in the General Information Programme.

C. Social Sciences

59. The main trends of the programme are, on the whole, worthy of approbation; the proposed programme accords the social sciences their rightful place within the Organization and enables it to advance towards the objectives to which it is committed.

60. The activities are organized along three main lines of thrust:

the advancement of the social sciences throughout the world;

the promotion, at the methodological level, of opportunities for applying the social sciences;

the practical application of the social sciences to clarification of major social and human problems relevant to Unesco.

These three main lines could possibly be presented in a different order, but what matters is their interrelations, which are essential for the cohesion and the organic character of the proposed programme. The emphasis on interdisciplinarity is recognized; this aspect should be extended so that a more determined use is made of the social sciences in all sectors of Unesco's activity.

61. The importance accorded by the programme to the specific status, needs and aspirations of certain groups, such as women, young people, children, rural populations, migrant workers and disadvantaged minorities, deserves approval.

62. It should, however, be pointed out that the headings given to certain activities seem more ambitious than what is actually proposed for programme action and should be modified accordingly.

63. Social sciences, by their very nature, can with difficulty be divorced from values and ideologies; nevertheless, the programme has been drafted in such a way as to admit of many different outlooks and systems as the basis for an overall approach to the search for better understanding and consensus.

64. The recognition given in the proposed programme to history as a major discipline of the social sciences deserves commendation. The study envisaged under Objective 3.3 of the relationship between history and the other social sciences, and the importance attached generally to the historical dimensions of social phenomena, also merit approval.

65. The weight given in the chapter as a whole to philosophical inquiry as a concomitant of any study of the full range of human problems is likewise to be welcomed. Additional resources would, however, be needed if a more detailed study is to be made of certain essential topics. It would also appear desirable to widen the circle of those involved in these activities, which, instead of being restricted to a group of specialists, should encompass a broader public.

66. On the whole it appears that the programme concerning social sciences and their applications should receive increased resources in order to avoid excessive scattering and fragmentation of programme actions, and to reinforce the necessary contribution of the social sciences to the overall programme of the Organization.

67. The activities relating to human rights (Objective 1.1) bring out Unesco's role as an instigator of inquiry into human rights and its competence in the teaching of such rights. Care should be taken in the definition of research in this field. For example, in the case of apartheid, the studies should concentrate more on the machinery which enables apartheid regimes to persist in a world where racial discrimination is now condemned, and on means of combating such regimes from within the very societies where they are rife, rather than on the purely conceptual recognition of a right to resist apartheid and racism. Studies on migrants should deal with problems both of integration in the host country and of return to countries of origin. Research into a new category of rights - the rights of solidarity - should be conducted with caution; the same consideration applies to activities concerning the right to be different, whose interpretation can be ambiguous and might be used to justify the marginalization, exclusion or discrimination from which particular groups suffer, or to regard the affirmation of cultural identity (see also Objective 1.2) as a potential factor of division in pluralistic societies.

68. The programmes planned at tertiary level for the teaching of human rights are to be welcomed; these activities should also extend to and influence other educational levels, in co-ordination with the activities envisaged under Chapter 1 - Education.

69. The programme relating to Objectives 1.3/6.3 (Status of women and Participation by women in development) is satisfactory but should be expanded and strengthened, particularly with regard to the participation of women in rural development, in the decision-making process at all levels and in political life in general. It was noted that the activities foreseen under Objective 8.1 (Population) on the structure of the family and the social and professional role of women could make a useful contribution to the improvement of the status of women.

70. Activities concerning the problems of peace and disarmament (Objective 2.1) are in themselves satisfactory and could be expanded. Consideration should be given to devoting more funds to them in future programmes. It is recognized that such activities and those in the field of human rights are

interdependent and mutually supporting. It is pointed out that research on peace should cover not only the causes and sources of conflict, although more attention to the dangers of international misunderstanding would be desirable, but also the positive experiments in co-operation among nations. With regard to disarmament, education is an important tool, although other aspects should also be analysed.

71. The proposed activities relating to international law (Objective 2.2) should be carried out with emphasis being laid on collaboration with the specialized organs of the United Nations system.

72. In accordance with the guidance note adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session on Objectives 3.1 and 3.2, greater emphasis should be laid on the close relationship between international peace, security and disarmament and the conditions needed for socio-economic development.

73. The studies on poverty (Objective 3.1) should be conducted from a global perspective taking into account different aspects of underdevelopment; the need to eradicate poverty should not lead to the overlooking of the fact that there are certain values and virtues in poverty-stricken societies.

74. The importance of studies on transnational corporations is stressed, as is their difficulty, due in particular to lack of adequate information; it is suggested that approaches be adopted which take account of social, cultural and political contexts and which might be slanted towards the possibility of modifying the influence of such corporations in such a way as to promote endogenous development.

75. In the furtherance of endogenous development (Objective 3.2) emphasis should be laid on the importance of local decision-making. The approach adopted should be one entailing research based on participation, case studies and action-oriented research with a view to ascertaining what the countries really require and how best they can be helped to move towards these goals. Institutions and expertise in the Member States should be utilized.

76. As regards the proposed activities relating to infrastructures and programmes in the social sciences (Objective 3.3), the particular importance of co-operation with regional institutions should be pointed out, taking into account, however, the role of the Member States, on whom it is incumbent to support these institutions and their programmes. The increased emphasis placed on the theoretical and operational advancement of the social sciences and on interdisciplinary co-operation is noted with satisfaction. This is also the case for the studies envisaged with a view to the establishment of a Science of Man Institute to carry out a detailed study of the human personality on the basis of knowledge derived from various fields. It is noteworthy that the proposed programmes are carefully linked with those stemming from the MAB programme.

77. As regards the programme relating to socio-economic analyses (Objective 3.4), the importance of the use of indicators for development planning is stressed, but the different actions envisaged in this connection should be more effectively co-ordinated, particularly in the fields of socio-economic development, environment and human rights. The notion of "quality of life" should be approached with caution and the proposed analytical work should be co-ordinated with that of the other organizations of the United Nations system.

78. The programme on youth strikes a satisfactory balance so far as its different components are concerned and provides a means of furthering co-operation with the various youth organizations. Prospects of more practical and more innovative action, greater attention to participation by rural youth, the extension of the fellowships programme in view of the training of animateurs and in general the allocation of increased resources would be desirable improvements.

79. The interdisciplinary, intersectoral approach to environmental issues (Objectives 7.2 and 7.5) appears generally satisfactory; there is not, however, unanimous agreement in every case as to the usefulness of certain studies. The place given to training activities in the fields of human settlements and of the social and cultural environment is commendable.

80. As regards Objective 8.1 (Population), the importance of the studies on migration and, in particular, on migration to urban areas is stressed, as is that of the studies on the status of women.

#### D. Culture and Communication

81. All in all, the programme of Chapter 4 (Culture and Communication) fits satisfactorily into the directives laid down by the General Conference. It marks an important stage in the application of the principle of combining culture and communication. Nevertheless, progress has still to be made, and the approach by objectives should facilitate this, in particular by making it possible to highlight the links between the two fields in regard to common goals. Relations between culture and communication within the sector, and with the other chapters of the programme, require closer attention, in an interdisciplinary context.

82. The parts of the programme relating to culture are based on sound principles. Culture, which is at one and the same time universal and diverse, emerges as an essential element in the development of societies. Due consideration is given to the demands of personal achievement and individual enterprise and to collective responsibilities and functions, to the possibilities of cultural development planning and to those of free, spontaneous creation.

83. The parts of the programme relating to communication, taken as a whole, are topical, correspond to the tasks incumbent upon Unesco and are in keeping with the main trends of development in contemporary societies. They are designed to meet the present requirements and demands of these societies and are developed in such a way as to assist in overcoming the inequalities characteristic of the present situation in the field of communication and to help in establishing a "new international information order"

84. The programme is in keeping with the ever-growing importance being assumed in the contemporary world by communication and information problems. The rapid progress of science and technology, the continually increasing technical sophistication of the mass media and the growth both in the volume of information exchange and in the international flow of educational, scientific and cultural materials are developments which are turning communication into a large-scale and urgent international problem with a number of complex political, legal, moral, ethical and technical aspects.

85. The programme adopts an objective, promising approach to the task of ascertaining and enumerating the requirements of contemporary society in the field of communication and information, selecting Unesco guidelines and objectives in this field, defining the standpoint from which problems should be viewed and forecasting the expected results. The methods envisaged for implementing the proposed actions and carrying out research are also concrete and realistic. Provision is made for all-round co-operation with international and national non-governmental organizations, professional associations, documentation services and centres, and so forth. The idea that understanding of the process of communication should not be formal and technical but take account of the significance of the content of information itself, and also that understanding of the potential of the mass media underlies the improvement of communication between people and between nations, is methodologically sound.

86. The programme on appreciation and respect for cultural identity (Objective 1.2) occupies a position whose central importance should be stressed and introduces significant innovations, in particular in regard to the emphasis laid on intercultural studies on the various aspects of cross-cultural influences and mutual enrichment and cultural exchanges, innovations which constitute the necessary complement to the activities focused on specific cultures. It is in this context that it was recommended that Unesco take an active part in the celebration of the 1400th anniversary of the Hegira, birth date of the rich Arab Islamic civilization and culture, and arrange to be associated with the celebration of the 1000th anniversary of the birth of Avicenna; this also explains the special importance attaching to the preparation of the General History of Africa, the promotion of indigenous languages, particularly the "Unesco Project Horizon 2000" concerning African languages, the study of minority cultures, the new activities relating to Chinese culture and whatever proposals are made concerning a revision of the History of the Scientific and Cultural Development of Mankind.

87. The scope of activities relating to cultural identity should be considered in connection with the problems encountered in the modern world, where all societies are undergoing rapid change and where the heritage of the past is threatened and the growth of technology influences the content and style of life. There is a need to develop approaches and programmes which will permit of the preservation and development of local cultures, while at the same time benefiting from relevant advances in modern science and technology.

88. With regard to Objective 3.5, the proposed activities aimed at promoting the widest possible participation in cultural life while furthering freedom of expression and individual creation are welcomed.

89. The planning of cultural development seems essential in the context of a democratic cultural life, and it is important that it should be taken into account in overall development plans. Nevertheless, a degree of caution is required, bearing in mind the requirements of cultural creation.

90. Continuing emphasis should be placed in the programme on:

the principle of the democratization of culture;

international synthesis and mutual enrichment of cultures;

culture in the service of peace;

the principle of equality between cultures of large and small nations which have old and new cultures ;

the principle of equal rights for all peoples of the world in the use of culture and of the cultural heritage of humanity.

91. The activities relating to cultural policies are regarded as laudable and the significance of the proposal to organize a second World Conference on Cultural Policies in 1981-1982 should be emphasized. Representatives of the arts and literature, and not administrators only, should be actively associated in the preparations. It should also be stressed that there are many non-governmental action groups which are capable of making a significant contribution to stimulating cultural creation.

92. The action proposed under the themes dealing with book promotion and reading deserve special attention. Stress should be placed on the major contribution books can make to meditation and dialogue;

on the need to make better use of books in adult education and literacy work; on the value of activities on behalf of women and children ; and on the need to promote book production in the developing countries.

93. An expansion of activities and increased emphasis on audio-visual methods could be envisaged in regard to the international dissemination of cultures.

94. In respect of artistic and intellectual creativity (Objective 3.6)) special mention should be made of the activities conducive to communication and exchanges between artists and specialists from different cultures, whether working in the same or in different fields. Stress should be laid on the importance of art in education and on the need to extend the planned activities, to all levels of formal and non-formal education. Attention should also be drawn to the activities which could be undertaken following the decision of the General Conference on the desirability of the preparation of a convention, recommendation or declaration concerning the status of the artist.

95. The contribution of communication to integrated rural development (Objective 6.2)) particularly through the local press, should be underlined. This action is closely related to the struggle against illiteracy. Activities in the cultural field should be included under this objective.

96. Unesco has a singular role to play in preserving the cultural and natural heritage of mankind (Objective 7.6). The proposed programme has general approval. With regard to international campaigns, which are generally viewed with favour, it seems desirable to rationalize such activities so that criteria and priorities can be established. Activities concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage should be increasingly concerned with the promotion of cultural identity and be carried out with a wide participation of the people concerned. In addition attention should be drawn to the importance of activities concerning the restitution or return of cultural property to the countries of origin.

97. With regard to Objective 9.1 (Promotion of a free and balanced flow of information and of international exchanges), the importance of the work of the International Commission on the Study of Communication Problems should be noted and the steps taken to disseminate its final report approved. Emphasis should be laid on the value of the research carried out on international communication structures, as a contribution to the goals pursued under this objective in connection with the flow of information. Other activities should bring out aspects of this question such as the responsible and impartial presentation of international news and the role of the mass media in development, international co-operation and peace. Attention is drawn to the plans for carrying out a realistic, factual evaluation of the notion of a "new information order", as also to the complexity and novelty of the problems involved. Major issues of mass communication will also be debated by the General Conference when considering the draft Declaration on fundamental principles governing the contribution of the mass media to strengthening peace and international understanding and to combating war propaganda, racialism and apartheid (20 C/20).

98. Turning to Objective 9.3 (Process and role of communication), special interest attaches to the studies and publications dealing with the role of communication in the evolution and development of society, as well as the measures designed to improve relations between research workers in the various fields of communication. Matters relating to the rights, obligations, responsibilities, status and protection of journalists merit the closest attention. More effective action, aimed in particular at the elaboration of a code of ethics, might be envisaged. The projected publication in various languages of the above-mentioned Declaration on fundamental principles concerning the mass media, if adopted by the General Conference, is noted. It would be desirable to state more explicitly the nature and scope of the actions planned in the realm of education concerning the media.

99. The importance of the activities provided for under Objective 9.4 (Policies, infrastructures and training in the field of communication) is unanimously recognized. A high priority should be given to the reinforcement of infrastructures and the training of specialists in the developing countries, calling upon extra-budgetary resources whenever the Regular Programme resources are inadequate. Attention must also be drawn to the value of activities such as: the advisory services to Member States designed to assist them to formulate national communication policies; the publication of monographs on communication policies which help to spread more widely the benefits of experience; the development of methodologies for communication planning and the preparation of materials for the training of communication specialists. The planned publications should appear not only in English, French and Spanish, but also in languages such as Arabic, Russian and Swahili.

#### E. Copyright, Information Systems and Services, Statistics

100. The proposed programme concerning the promotion of copyright (Objective 9.2) and of access to copyrighted works is welcome. Still greater stress, however, should be placed on the training of copyright specialists in Member States, particularly in the developing ones. The preparation of an international instrument designed to avoid double taxation of copyright royalties remitted from one country to another deserves further attention.

101. With regard to information systems and services (Objective 10.1)) the directives of the nineteenth session of the General Conference have been followed and the gradual integration of the different elements constituting the General Information Programme (PGI) into a coherent whole is being achieved. The priorities proposed for this Programme, in particular regarding the training of information personnel, are sound.

102. The importance of the UNISIST II Intergovernmental Conference is emphasized, and a better balance in the programme is requested in order to give scientific and technical information more prominence. There is need to place the General Information Programme in a separate chapter, as in 19 C/5.

103. With a view to improving the collection and analysis of statistical data (Objective 10.2), efforts should be made to rethink and simplify questionnaires sent to Member States, taking into account the availability of their facilities. Moreover, the importance for Member States of the statistical data compiled by the Organization should be kept in mind when preparing publications in this field.

#### F. Programme Support; Co-operation for Development and External Relations

##### Office of the Unesco Press

104. It is recognized that the tasks of this Office are not confined to the technical aspects of the production of Unesco's publications, but that it also plays a vital role in the implementation of the directives on publications adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session (resolution 6.51). In 1979-1980 priority will be given to developing a dynamic publications programme and distribution policy through, notably, the creation of intersectoral collections and the improvement of co-operation with National Commissions and publishers in order to extend the distribution network of the Organization, and to the development of editions of Unesco publications in the national languages of Member States. Due attention should also be given to the question of publishing Unesco journals, monographs and bulletins in the Russian language.

##### Office of Public Information

105. The purpose of the reorganisation of the activities of this Office is to improve and extend contacts with the press, mass media, Unesco Clubs and the public in general, in order to project a livelier and more accurate image of the Organization and its programme. In this connection, the meetings of journalists, intellectuals and artists in different regions of the world seem to be having a multiplier effect and have had immediate repercussions in the press. The Office has, by and large, satisfactorily performed an important but delicate mission in the communication field. An evaluation should be made at regular intervals of the Office's written and audio-visual output (publications, films, radio broadcasts) so as to ensure that it is truly in line with the interests and desires of the Member States, more particularly the developing countries. The regionalization of public information activities is welcome and could become in the future an essential aspect of the decentralised activities of the Office, but adequate human and financial resources should be made available for this purpose through the reallocation, as required, of existing resources.

##### Co-operation for Development and External Relations

106. The inclusion of the Co-operation for Development and External Relations Sector (CPX) in Part II B rather than in Part II A of the document is administratively sound. The essential function of this sector is in fact to stimulate and co-ordinate. It thus has a most important role to play, and to date has done so convincingly and well despite the diversified character of the activities for which it is responsible. Steps should be taken to ensure the development of the operational aspect of its programme support activities, without its administrative structures becoming unwieldy.

107. The Participation Programme is in need of review. Real growth from 19 C/5 to 20 C/5 is clearly planned, but the funds proposed still seem inadequate and the methods of dealing with requests leave something to be desired, particularly as regards timing. The Participation Programme is one of the most important ways of co-operating with Member States in carrying out Unesco activities related to their own needs, and its operation must be made as efficient as possible.

108. Note should be taken of the development of inter-agency co-ordination within the United Nations system, particularly in the framework of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination (ACC). One of the objects of the effort to restructure the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, in which Unesco should continue to co-operate fully, is to ensure the increasing harmonization of the plans, programmes and activities of the Specialized Agencies, organizations and organs of the system. Care should be taken to ensure that this co-operation and this harmonization develop not only at the international level but also at the regional and national levels. In certain fields, such as rural development, it would be desirable for genuine joint programmes to be drawn up eventually.

#### G. Budgetary Questions

109. The Executive Board approves the budgetary techniques used in the preparation of document 20 C/5. They are in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Executive Board and are, by and large, the same as were employed in preparing document 19 C/5, namely:

use of a "constant dollar value";

aggregate calculation of the increases due to inflation in 1977-1978 on the basis of the 1979-1980 Programme and Budget requirements;

maintenance of the principle of "semi-full budgeting";

separate treatment of currency fluctuations.

110. The calculation of inflation costs in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980 was made correctly in accordance with these techniques and with the latest information in the possession of the Secretariat at the time document 20 C/5 was drawn up. These calculations will be brought up to date when the General Conference adopts the budget ceiling for 1979-1980. It should be borne in mind that, in accordance with the principle of semi-full budgeting, the Director-General, in the execution of the programme, will have to arrange for the absorption of some \$5 million, the anticipated cost of inflation in 1980.

111. Part VIII of the Draft Budget - Currency Fluctuation - for the time being makes a provision of only \$500,000 to compensate for the increase in the value of the Swiss franc as compared with the rate of exchange used in the Budget for 1977-1978. The General Conference will have to bear in mind the need to modify the provisions of this Part to reflect the exchange rates prevailing at the time the General Conference adopts the budget. By way of example, the present rate of exchange is 4.60 French francs to one United States dollar as compared with the rate of 4.90 French francs to the "constant" dollar, and each 5-centime decrease against the "constant" value will have to be offset by a supplementary credit of the order of \$2,000,000 in Part VIII.

112. The Board noted with satisfaction that of the budget increase of \$12,784,300 (in constant dollars), 70.6 per cent are allocated to Part II - Execution of the Programme - and only 29.4 per cent to the other Parts.

113. The methodology for calculating indirect programme and personnel costs as applied in Part II A may need review.

114. The Appropriation Resolution is drawn up with due regard for the requirements relating to inflation and co-ordination with other United Nations agencies which must be met in carrying out the Programme and Budget.

115. No increase in the Working Capital Fund is proposed for the moment either by the Director-General or the Board, but that assumes that Member States will pay their contributions within the statutory time limits.

116. Responsibility for the proposed reorganisation of the structure of the Secretariat undoubtedly devolves, in the first instance, on the Director-General. Some measures can only be transitory, such as the place of the General Information Programme and the Unesco Library, Archives and Documentation Services, and restructuring according to the requirements of management by objectives may eventually prove necessary.

117. The activities and budgets of Parts I, II.B, III and IV are discussed in detail in the Report prepared by the Financial and Administrative Commission at the 104th session and transmitted to the General Conference in document 20 C/6.

#### H. Questions relating to the form of future C/5 documents

118. While 20 C/5 is a major advance on 19 C/5, there would be real advantage in a document drawn up in terms of objectives, perhaps cross-referenced by Sector as foreshadowed in the Director-General's Introduction and in the decisions of the Executive Board at its 102nd session. The Annex prepared for 20 C/5, detailing programmes in terms of objectives, is clear and precise and enables readers to determine exactly which activities are proposed in relation to each objective. It reveals, moreover, the richness and growing importance of interdisciplinary and intersectoral work. The Board believes that the General Conference should examine the Annex and express a firm view on the desirability of presenting 21 C/5 along similar lines.

119. It seems likely that such a presentation would also serve the purpose of simplifying the document considerably. For example it might make it unnecessary to present programmes in as much detail as in 20 C/5 and its predecessors. It would certainly obviate the need for much of the repetitiveness of 20 C/5.

120. The General Conference might discuss this issue and convey any further suggestions to the Board for detailed examination and, if necessary, report. As suggested earlier, there is no doubt that the formulation of "expected results" is a highly commendable innovation, and should lead to more precise programme development and evaluation. However, as might be expected in a first essay of this character, many of the statements are phrased in language likely to make objective analysis of results difficult. Efforts should be made to develop techniques for precise, clear-cut delineation of the expected results for each objective, theme and programme action.

121. As for the basis for the preparation of the programme, it should be noted that, although the questionnaire sent to Member States, Associate Members and international non-governmental organizations in category A in 1977 yielded valuable results, none the less it had its weaknesses and additional methods of consultation should be sought.

122. It is difficult to make further comments on the future nature of C/5 without knowledge of the decision of the twentieth session of the General Conference on the proposals for harmonization of the budget cycle. For example, if it is decided that there should be a 1979-1980 biennium, followed by a 1981-1983 triennium, and then a return to biennia for 1984-1985, etc., this will demand somewhat different budgeting and programming procedures which will have to be examined with very great care by the Executive Board before 21 C/5 and 22 C/5 are prepared.

## II. FORM AND STRUCTURE OF DOCUMENT 20 C/5

### Structure of document 20 C/5

123. In addition to the Introduction by the Director-General document 20 C/5 comprises eight parts as follows:

- Part I - General Policy and Direction
- Part II - Programme Operations and Services
- Part III - General Administrative Services
- Part IV - Conference, Language and Document Services
- Part V - Common Services
- Part VI - Appropriation Reserve
- Part VII - Capital Expenditure
- Part VIII - Currency Fluctuation.

The document also includes, either in the main body of the text or printed separately, a number of appendices which are lists or summary tables.

124. As regards its structure, document 20 C/5 contains a number of major innovations, the most important of which concern Part II - Programme Operations and Services.

125. Part I - General Policy and Direction - covers all the services whose primary role is to provide technical support to the governing bodies - the General Conference and the Executive Board - and to the Director-General. Thus, in addition to the General Conference, the Executive Board and the Directorate, which are traditionally contained in this Part, it covers the following services:

- Executive Office of the Director-General
- Bureau of Studies and Programming
- Bureau of the Budget
- Inspectorate-General
- Office of International Standards and Legal Affairs
- Office of the Mediator.

126. Part II - Programme Operations and Services - is analysed in detail in paragraphs 131 to 152 below.

127. Part III - General Administrative Services - groups together units which are responsible for administering the material and human resources available to the Organization; in addition to the Office of the Assistant Director-General for General Administrative Services, these are:

- the Bureau of the Comptroller
- the Bureau of Personnel
- the Bureau of General Services
- the Bureau of Data Processing Services.

128. Part IV deals with the Bureau of Conferences, Languages and Documents.

129. Part V - Common Services - deals with the current operating expenditures of all Secretariat services installed at Headquarters.

130. Part VI concerns the Appropriation Reserve.



131. Part VII - Capital Expenditure - makes provision for the amortization of expenditure on the construction and remodelling of Headquarters buildings,

132. Part VIII relates to Currency Fluctuation.

Structure and form of Part II - Programme Operations and Services

Section A

133. Part II - Programme Operations and Services - is subdivided into two sections, the first of which, section A, covers all activities directly related to the objectives of the Medium-Term Plan. This section is further divided into five chapters:

Chapter 1 - Education

Chapter 2 - Natural Sciences and their Application to Development

Chapter 3 - Social Sciences and their Applications

Chapter 4 - Culture and Communication

Chapter 5 - Copyright; Information Systems and Services; Statistics.

134. The basic feature of Part II.A is the introduction of an organic link-up with the Medium-Term Plan for 1977-1982 (19 C/4). The General Conference, at its nineteenth session, instructed the Executive-Board "to re-examine this question /of the structural relationship between the C/4 and C/5 documents/ at its 102nd session on the basis of a specimen chapter".

135. To this end, the Director-General submitted to the Executive Board three possibilities :

Solution A : aligning the Draft Programme and Budget with the Medium-Term Plan by including in it one section for each medium-term objective;

Solution B : retaining chapters for each sector (education, natural sciences, social sciences, culture and communication) but setting out the programme by objectives within each chapter;

Solution C: preserving the structure by chapters and sections corresponding to the sectors and divisions on which the administrative organization of the Secretariat is based.

136. After thorough discussion, the Executive Board recommended in 102 EX/Decision 4.1 the adoption of Solution B above, which it considered would reflect the orientation of the programme in terms of medium-term objectives, while at the same time facilitating consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget by the competent national authorities, which are frequently organized on lines similar to those of the Secretariat services. "Bearing in mind the views according to which the presentation of the C/5 document by objectives... would represent for the future the most satisfactory solution for the purpose of programming and evaluating the activities of the Organization", but "considering, however, that a decision on the adoption of this version, which implies drastic changes in the presentation of the C/5 document, should be taken only after a transitional period and in the light of experience gained through the implementation of the Medium-Term Plan", the Executive Board invited the Director-General in 102 EX/Decision 4.1 to prepare also a condensed presentation of Part II, laid out by objectives, to be annexed to document 20 C/5.

137. It was on these bases that Part II.A of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980 was drawn up.

138. It follows that each of the five chapters listed above (paragraph 133) is subdivided into as many sections as there are medium-term objectives towards whose achievement the corresponding sector contributes. It also follows that, in order to have a complete view of Unesco's action in connection with a number of objectives, one should consider the sum total of groups of programme actions which are presented in a number of chapters. The following table is intended to make this easier for the reader by showing, for each objective of the Medium-Term Plan, the sectors which conduct related activities and the corresponding paragraph numbers in document 20 C/5.

	Objective	Chapter/Sector	Paragraphs of document 20 C/5
1.1	Respect for human rights	Education Social Sciences Culture and Communication	1003 - 1018 3003 - 3056 4003 - 4013
1.2	Appreciation and respect for cultural identity	Education Social Sciences Culture and Communication	1019 - 1031 3057 - 3072 4014 - 4126
1.3/ 6.3	Status of women and participation of women in development	Education Social Sciences Culture and Communication	1032 - 1061 3073 - 3102 4127 - 4135
1.4	Aid to refugees and national liberation movements	Education	1062 - 1092
1.5/ 2.3	Education and information concerning human rights, peace and international understanding	Education Social Sciences	1093 - 1124 3103 - 3125
2.1	Peace research	Social Sciences	3126 - 3155
2.2	Role of international law and international organizations	Social Sciences	3156 - 3175
3.1	Global interpretation of development	Social Sciences	3176 - 3215
3.2	Endogenous and diversified development	Social Sciences	3216 - 3246
3.3	Infrastructures and programmes in the social sciences	Social Sciences	3247 - 3305
3.4	Socio-economic analysis	Social Sciences	3306 - 3339
3.5	Participation in cultural life	Culture and Communication	4136 - 4272
3.6	Artistic and intellectual creativity	Culture and Communication	4273 - 4321
4.1	Science and society	Natural Sciences Social Sciences	2003 - 2028 3340 - 3355
4.2	Science and technology policies	Natural Sciences	2029 - 2075
4.3	Scientific and technological research and training	Education Natural Sciences	1125 - 1157 2076 - 2215
4.4	General science and technology education	Education Natural Sciences	1158 - 1200 2216 - 2229
5.1	Educational policies	Education	1201 - 1257
5.2	Educational administration	Education	1258 - 1290
5.3	Educational structures	Education	1291 - 1331
5.4	Educational content, methods and techniques	Education	1332 - 1433
5.5	Training of educational personnel	Education	1434 - 1466
5.6	Adult education	Education	1469 - 1512

	Objective	Chapter/Sector	Paragraphs of document 20 C/5
5.7	Role of higher education in society	Education	1513 - 1559
6.1	Struggle against illiteracy	Education	1560 - 1619
6.2	Integrated rural development	Education Natural Sciences Social Sciences Culture and Communication	1620 - 1662 2230 - 2240 3356 - 3370 4322 - 4343
6.4	Role of youth in educational, social and cultural activity	Social Sciences	3371 - 3401
6.5	Problems of social disharmony	Education Social Sciences	1663 - 1683 3402 - 3411
7.1	Mineral and energy resources	Natural Sciences	2241 - 2314
7.2	Terrestrial biological resources	Natural Sciences Social Sciences	2315 - 2389 3412 - 3423
7.3	Water resources	Natural Sciences	2390 - 2433
7.4	Ocean and coastal marine systems	Natural Sciences	2434 - 2526
7.5	Environment and human settlements	Natural Sciences Social Sciences	2527 - 2538 3424 - 3466
7.6	Preservation and presentation of the cultural and natural heritage	Natural Sciences Culture and Communication	2539 - 2566 4344 - 4431
7.7	Education and information relating to the environment	Education Natural Sciences Social Sciences	1684 - 1703 2567 - 2577 3467 - 3487
8.1	Population	Education Social Sciences	1704 - 1715 3488 - 3510
9.1	Flow of information and international exchanges	Culture and Communication	4432 - 4474
9.2	Copyright	Copyright; Information Systems and Services ; Statistics	5001 - 5044
9.3	Process and role of communication	Social Sciences Culture and Communication	3511 - 3519 4475 - 4529
9.4	Policies, infrastructures and training in the field of communication	Culture and Communication	4530 - 4591
10.1	Information systems and services	Education Natural Sciences Social Sciences Culture and Communication Copyright; Information Systems and Services ; Statistics	1716 - 1727 2578 - 2592 3520 - 3537 4592 - 4601 5045 - 5141
10.2	Statistics	Copyright; Information Systems and Services; Statistics	5142 - 5185

### Component parts of each chapter

139. The resolutions relating to the programme have been designed in such a way as to represent (in accordance with 103 EX/Decision 4.2) "general guidance from the General Conference to the Director-General concerning programme execution".

140. They are of two kinds. On the one hand, each chapter is headed by a proposed resolution of a general character, in that it suggests the "lines of force" and principles which might direct the Organisation's action throughout the entire field covered by the chapter under consideration. The purpose of these resolutions is to enable the General Conference to express its views in regard to a number of basic considerations in such a way as to provide broad guidelines governing execution of the programme.

141. The Executive Board considers that these general resolutions, proposed to the General Conference with a view to assisting it in its deliberations and without prejudging the form of whatever final texts it may be led to adopt on conclusion of its discussions, should fulfil a twofold function in its work. Firstly, they might usefully be examined in the course of general discussion, in a commission, before detailed consideration of the Draft Programme and Budget; the discussion would thus serve, as it were, as a backcloth, providing the commission with a general framework which consideration of the specific components of the programme would subsequently add to and amplify in detail. Next, they could be used as a basis for the preparation of texts summing up the conclusions of the work of the various commissions, conclusions which would be submitted as such for approval by the General Conference in plenary session.

142. On the other hand, each section corresponding to an objective opens with a proposed resolution which contains two kinds of elements: firstly, a summary of the programme themes (see paragraph 143 below) under which the activities of the section are carried out; and secondly, an indication of the main lines of emphasis of the programme and, where necessary, the special conditions governing its execution. Reference is also made to conferences in categories I and II planned to be held during the two-year period.

143. The programme themes which structure the work plan for each section are another major innovation designed to provide a link-up between the Medium-Term Plan and the Draft Programme and Budget, serving to hinge these two documents together. These themes have in fact been devised on the basis of the impacts desired in connection with each objective of the Medium-Term Plan, and serve to define possible groups of activities in the Draft Programme and Budget which should be implemented precisely with a view to achieving such impacts. Their purpose is therefore to interconnect as closely as possible biennial programming with the objectives of the Medium-Term Plan, to which they are directly related. They should also in this capacity play a major role in the process of evaluation which is gradually to be developed.

144. It is also with a view to the requirements of evaluation that the text of each theme has been followed by a statement of the expected results of the action taken under this theme. These brief statements should make it possible at the end of the two-year period to gauge the extent to which the initial purpose and actual achievements coincide. As the first concrete step in the establishment of a process of evaluation directly linked to programming, they also have another merit, that of stimulating reflection, from the very earliest stages of programme preparation, on the significance of the action to be taken and on where the emphasis is to be placed. As such they should be an additional factor making for the cohesion of the programme.

145. The description of each programme action is headed by a title the intention of which is to make it easier to identify and to define its significance. This title is accompanied by the designation, in brackets with the appropriate symbols, of the Secretariat unit or units responsible for execution. The symbols are explained in the tables following each chapter (see paragraph 149 below).

146. Programme appropriations are indicated by figures in brackets for each programme action; they are summarized for each theme and each section. Appropriations for personnel are also indicated by theme and section, whether they perform their duties in a Headquarters division, in Regional Offices or in the Office of an Assistant Director-General.

147. Activities which, in connection with an objective, involve co-operation with Member States - the Participation Programme and operational projects financed from extra-budgetary resources - are grouped together and presented in the aggregate at the end of the section.

148. Various tables go to make up the whole; they are designed, on the one hand, to provide the necessary information about the staff and the administrative structure of the Secretariat, and on the other, to summarize the activities carried out under each objective, many of which are divided up between different chapters.

149. For example, a table presented at the end of each chapter shows the administrative structure of the corresponding sector, and indicates for the various divisions, the Regional Offices and the Office of the Assistant Director-General, the staff employed and the number of months of work required for the execution of the programme. These summary tables are divided up as follows:

Chapter 1 -	Education	paragraphs 1805-1845
Chapter 2 -	Natural Sciences and their Application to Development	paragraphs 2618-2651
Chapter 3 -	Social Sciences and their Applications	paragraphs 3542-3557
Chapter 4 -	Culture and Communication	paragraphs 4608-4631
Chapter 5 -	Copyright; Information Systems and Services ; Statistics	paragraphs 5186-5192

150. Appendix I, which will be found at the end of document 20 C/5, indicates for each objective the budget estimates for 1979-1980 and their breakdown between the different sectors; it also shows growth rates by comparison with the approved appropriations for 1977-1978, which makes possible a comparison with the resource indications adopted by the General Conference for each medium-term objective.

151. Lastly, since the activities of the Regional Offices on the one hand, and of the International Bureau of Education, the International Institute for Educational Planning, and the Unesco Institute for Education (Hamburg) on the other, are integrated in the different sections under the objectives to which they are related, summary texts have been prepared to provide an overall view of these units. These summaries are presented at the end of each chapter, immediately before the tables showing staff strength.

#### Section B

152. Part II.B groups together various programme supporting services which contribute very directly to programme implementation and provide it with the necessary support in order that the ends sought may be effectively achieved. These services are:

the Unesco Library, Archives and Documentation Services ;

Office of the Unesco Press;

Office of Public Information,

grouped together in Chapter 6, to which should be added (Chapter 7) the Sector for Co-operation for Development and External Relations, which is involved at various stages in the execution of such activities as generally entail co-operation with Member States, intergovernmental organizations, in particular various agencies in the United Nations system, and international non-governmental organizations

(105 EX/SR. 20)

#### 4.3 Final recommendations of the Executive Board on the proposed budget for 1979-1980 (20 C/5 Rev. 1)

The Executive Board,

1. Having regard to the duty placed upon it under Article V.B. 5(a) of the Constitution,
2. Recalling that at its 104th session it submitted the Director-General's Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980 (20 C/5) to the General Conference for its favourable consideration on the understanding that its final recommendations on the budget level for 1979-1980 will be decided on at this session,
3. Having considered document 20 C/5 Rev.1 dated 24 July 1978 and document 105 EX/INF. 2 dated 26 September 1978,
4. Having heard the Director-General's oral presentation of this subject,
5. Convinced that the Director-General will continue to execute the programme with the utmost economy and efficiency,
6. Noting that the Board has proposed to the General Conference that the twenty-first session of the General Conference be held in Belgrade, which would require an increase in expenditure of \$800,000,
7. Considering that the trend during recent months of the decline in the value of the United States dollar vis-à-vis the French and Swiss franc requires additional expenditure under the Organization's budget (e.g. 4.35 French francs to one United States dollar entails expenditure of \$25,116,000) in order to carry through the programme proposed in document 20 C/5,

8. Recalling, however, that the provision for currency fluctuation under Part VIII of the budget can only be used to cover the loss due to depreciation in the value of the United States dollar,
9. Recommends that the General Conference approve the provisional budget ceiling for 1979-1980 of \$303,000,000, this being the sum appropriate to the programme proposed in document 20 C/5 and to other expenditure including \$1,084,000 for the increase in the contribution to the Pension Fund, \$800,000 for the additional cost of holding the twenty-first session of the General Conference in Belgrade, \$25,116,000 for the estimated loss due to the decline in the United States dollar value in relation to the French franc, and \$500,000 for the additional anticipated loss on account of the decline of the United States dollar value vis-a-vis the Swiss franc, on the assumption that one United States dollar equals 4.35 French or 1.63 Swiss francs, it being understood that:
  - (a) if in the course of 1979-1980 the actual rates of exchange between the United States dollar and the French and Swiss francs give fewer French and Swiss francs than in the rates used (i.e. 4.35 French or 1.63 Swiss francs equal to one United States dollar), the deficit shall be covered by supplementary estimates under Article 3.9 of the Financial Regulations ; should that prove to be inadequate an extraordinary session of the General Conference shall be convened to consider this matter;
  - (b) if in the course of 1979-1980 the actual rates of exchange between the United States dollar and the French and Swiss francs give more French and Swiss francs than in the rates used (i.e. 4.35 French or 1.63 Swiss francs equal to one United States dollar), any saving under Parts I to VII of the budget shall be transferred by the Director-General to Part VIII of the budget;
  - (c) under no circumstances shall funds under Part VIII of the budget be available for transfer for other purposes, and that if any saving accrues therein it shall be surrendered to Member States in accordance with the procedure described in the Financial Regulations.

(105 EX/SR.16, 17, 21)

- 4.4 Study in depth on the concept of basic human needs in relation to various ways of life and its possible implications for the action of the Organization (105 EX/7)
- 5.1.4 Unesco's contribution to the establishment of a new international economic order: Report of the Director-General on the implementation of 19 C/Resolution 9.11 (104 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined documents 105 EX/7 and 104 EX/51 submitted by the Director-General,
2. Congratulates the Director-General on the efforts made to strengthen and diversify Unesco's contribution to the establishment of a new international economic order, both in regard to reflection and the dissemination of knowledge and in respect of the activities undertaken in the Organization's various areas of competence;
3. Also congratulates the Director-General on the quality and seriousness of the study on the concept of "basic human needs" (105 EX/7);
4. Considers that the practical development strategies advanced on the basis of the concept of "basic needs" present serious inadequacies and that this restrictive concept cannot be used as a basis for planning and programming the Organization's action for development;
5. Emphasizes, moreover, that in the stress they lay on the endogenous nature of development, on the requirement that the local population should participate in development work, on the reduction and elimination of inequalities between nations, groups and individuals and on the urgent need to improve the situation of the least privileged populations and achieve the objectives of equity, justice and solidarity, the Organization's programmes, as set out in 20 C/4 and 20 C/5, are oriented towards the broadest possible development of peoples and towards the establishment of a new international economic order;

6. Invites the Director-General to take an active part in the work done within the United Nations system to prepare the strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, using as a basis 19 C/Resolution 9.11, the Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980 (20 C/5), the Medium-Term Plan (20 C/4) and any directives that the General Conference, at its twentieth session, may wish to give him on this subject.

4.5 Procedure to be followed for the consultation of Member States, Associate Members and international non-governmental organizations in category A on the preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget (21 C/5) and, if necessary, on the preparation of the next Medium-Term Plan (105 EX/8)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered document 105 EX/8 "Procedure to be followed for the consultation of Member States, Associate Members and non-governmental organizations in category A on the preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget (21 C/5) and, if necessary, on the preparation of the next Medium-Term Plan",
2. Emphasizes the efforts made by the Director-General to promote the widest possible participation by Member States in the preparation of the Organization's programme documents ;
3. Notes with satisfaction that in pursuance of decision 4.2 adopted at its 103rd session, the Director-General convened a meeting, within the desired time-limits, of a group of experts to give their views on future methods of consultation ;
4. Approves the proposals made by the Director-General in document 105 EX/8, on the basis of the work of the aforementioned group of experts whose final report is annexed to that document;

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5. Invites the Director-General to carry out a consultation of Member States, Associate Members and international non-governmental organizations in category A at the beginning of 1979 with a view to the preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget (21 C/5) on the basis of the following principles:
  - (a) the consultation will be limited to a number of subjects which, in the opinion of the Director-General and in the light of the discussions of the General Conference at its twentieth session, would appear to call for an in-depth consultation of Member States;
  - (b) the consultation, without prejudice to the form that it may assume subsequently, will not be carried out by means of a questionnaire of the same type as those used in 1975 and 1977, which were systematic, called for replies to multiple-choice questions and lent themselves to quantitative analysis;
  - (c) the consultation will not have a restrictive character in that Member States will be invited to make any relevant suggestions concerning the general thrust of the programme, over and above those questions which will constitute the basis of the consultation;
6. Requests the Director-General to provide for the possibility of assisting the National Commissions for Unesco, at their request and by appropriate means, in order to help them to perform the tasks required of them on the occasion of the consultation ;

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7. Notes that in document 20 C/4 II, postface of the Draft Adjustments to the Medium-Term Plan (1977-1982), the Director-General states his intention of undertaking a number of long-term studies in order to commence preparation of the second Medium-Term Plan;
8. Requests the Director-General to begin consulting Member States during the preparation of the long-term studies, it being understood that the consultation proper concerning the lines of emphasis of the next Medium-Term Plan will be undertaken in good time on the basis of the findings of those studies;

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9. Considers that the question of the procedure to be followed and the methods to be adopted for the consultation of Member States with a view to the preparation of programme documents should be the subject of further extensive consideration by the Executive Board;
10. Invites the Director-General to carry out additional studies bearing in mind the need to diversify methods of consultation with a view to the preparation of the biennial programme and the Medium-Term Plan and taking into account all the possibilities for the consultation of Member States and experts already contained in the programme;
11. Decides, while reserving the right to engage in preliminary reflection on this subject at its 107th session, to request its Special Committee to undertake a study in depth of the entire question at its 108th session.

(105 EX/SR.9, 10, 19)

4.6 Statement of major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing programme activity in the first eighteen months of the 1977-1978 biennium (105 EX/II and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/11 (20 C/112) containing a "statement of the major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing programme activity",
2. Stresses the importance and usefulness of this document, which provides information that is most valuable for assessing the progress achieved in the execution of the current programme;

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3. Points out that this document, which reports on the activities of the first 18 months of the 1977-1978 biennium in the order of sectoral chapters, objectives and themes followed in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980, makes it possible to establish a continuous link between document 19 C/5 Approved and document 20 C/5 for each objective of the Medium-Term Plan;
4. Considers that document 105 EX/II (20 C/112) must constitute an important working tool for the General Conference, and particularly for its programme commissions when they examine the Draft Programme and Budget for 1979-1980;
5. Recommends that the General Conference take appropriate steps to ensure that the attention of each commission is drawn, in the context of each discussion unit, to the passages in document 20 C/112 relating to those parts of document 20 C/5 submitted for the commission's consideration;

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6. Proposes to take into consideration document 105 EX/II when, at its 106th session, it selects the subjects for study in depth by Board members in 1979;
7. Recalls that the Director-General's Report on the Activities of the Organization (C/3) should, in accordance with the recommendations made by the Board at its 104th session (decision 5.1.3) constitute inter alia an updating of the information of the statement of the major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing activity of the programme;
8. Recommends that the Director-General take steps to ensure that certain suggestions in regard to methodology formulated by the Board members in connection with document 105 EX/II be, as far as possible, taken into consideration when document 21 C/3 is being drafted;
9. Invites the Director-General to devote particular attention to the improvements which could be made to future documents concerning the "major impacts, achievements, difficulties and shortfalls for each continuing programme activity", on the basis of the evaluation studies undertaken in pursuance of the provisions of its decision 104 EX/4.3 - 3.4.2.2 and the debate of the Board at its 105th session on agenda item 4.6.

(105 EX/SR .27)



ITEM 5 EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAMME

5.1 Reports of the Director-General

5.1.1 Oral report on the activities of the Organization since the 104th session

The Executive Board,

1. Having heard the Director-General's oral report on the activities of the Organization since the 104th session,

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2. Congratulates the Director-General and the members of the Secretariat on their intensive and dynamic performance during that period in implementing the activities of the Organization's programme and in preparing the many documents intended for the Executive Board and the General Conference;
3. Considers that the form of the oral report should be maintained in order to preserve the spontaneity of the dialogue between the Director-General and the Executive Board on the life of the Organization and the implementation of the programme and invites the Director-General to continue this practice while keeping the form of his oral reports sufficiently flexible;

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4. Notes with satisfaction the incoming applications from States for membership of the Organization, announced by the Director-General, which show that Unesco is moving increasingly towards the degree of universality that rightfully belongs to it;
5. Welcomes the practice established by the Director-General of convening permanent delegates and observers between sessions of the Executive Board and the General Conference;
6. Takes note of the contacts between the Director-General and persons in charge of the mass media, and keenly appreciates his concern that journalists from many countries should acquire a better knowledge of the Organization's activities ;
7. Thanks the Director-General for his appeal to Member States to provide works of art to be displayed on the Organization's premises as an expression of the originality of the different cultures and as an acknowledgement of their intrinsic value;
8. Takes note of the Director-General's intention to pay tribute to the eminent persons who have preceded him in this office;

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9. Welcomes the fact that the action of the Organization, during the period which has elapsed, has taken on an increasingly world-wide character, sees in this an appropriate course of action to foster that international co-operation which is among the purposes of Unesco set forth in the Constitution, and encourages the Director-General to continue with this course of action;
10. Notes with satisfaction the efforts towards decentralization and invites the Director-General to see to it that in this process the accent is laid the responsibility devolving on intermediate levels and on the regional or sub-regional diversity to which these levels should correspond, though the Organization should not on that account run the risk of becoming a confederation of various bodies;
11. Recommends that the steps already taken by the Director-General in implementing effective decentralization should be continued, particularly with regard to the delegation of authority, the location of staff and the broadening of co-ordination at the regional level, and endorses the broad lines envisaged by the Director-General to enable regional co-ordination to be carried out in the most competent way and under conditions which will be conducive towards greater savings in the use of resources;
12. Requests the Director-General to continue his action designed to give Regional Offices a greater role in the execution of regional activities, in preparation for regional ministerial conferences and in supervising the execution of operational projects, and invites him to consider the possibility of arranging the activity of Regional Offices more closely in line with objectives so that the programme can be carried out in the field in the most satisfactory manner;

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13. Expresses its satisfaction with the visits made by the Director-General during this period to many Member States, and considers that this practice contributes significantly to the execution of the programme, making it possible, through contacts with governments and the competent national bodies concerned with education, science, culture and communication, to spread knowledge of the Organization's work and to associate Member States more closely with the implementation of the programme through specific projects for co-operation;
14. Welcomes the results achieved by the intergovernmental conferences held during this period (the Fourth Conference of Ministers of Education and those Responsible for Economic Planning in Asia and Oceania, the Second Conference of Ministers Responsible for Science and Technology Policies in the European and North American Region, the Intergovernmental Conference on Strategies and Policies for Informatics), stresses, as significant evidence of the spirit of joint consultation which guided the Member States concerned, the fact that the recommendations framed by those conferences were adopted unanimously, and notes that the Director-General will submit reports on those inter-governmental conferences to the General Conference at its twentieth session, so that it may take appropriate decisions;
15. Notes the importance for Member States and the Secretariat of the Organization of evaluation of the implementation of the recommendations adopted by each conference in ensuring that they have fruitful results;
16. Notes the Director-General's stated intention to strengthen the Organization's activities in informatics and seismology, and requests him to study the most appropriate ways of doing so. and to report to the Executive Board thereon at one of its 1979 sessions;
17. Draws the attention of the Director-General to the importance of human values in implementing the Organization's informatics programmes ;
18. Considers, furthermore. that the question of holding regional ministerial conferences at more appropriate intervals deserves detailed examination, decides for this purpose to study it at one of its 1979 sessions and invites the Director-General to draw up, with a view to that debate, a study describing the various alternatives open to the Organization and their implications ;
19. Notes the view expressed by the Director-General that joint conferences should, in principle, be organized only with the agencies of the United Nations system ;
20. Approves of the attendance of the Director-General or his representative at the Tenth Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament, the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, and the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries, and notes with satisfaction the specific role devolving on the Organization in the areas concerned;
21. Notes that the Director-General will submit to the Executive Board at its 107th session a report on the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries and on ways in which the Organization might follow it up in the fields of its competence;
22. Welcomes the success of the International Congress on the Teaching of Human Rights and notes that the final document of that Congress will be communicated to the General Conference at its twentieth session, to enable the Conference to acquaint itself with the various recommendations contained therein;
23. Approves the measures taken by the Director-General concerning the Organization's contribution to the preparation of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, which will be held in Vienna in 1979;
24. Appreciates the Director-General's efforts to prepare a "Draft Declaration on Fundamental Principles Governing the Contribution of the Mass Media to Strengthening Peace and International Understanding and to Combating War Propaganda. Racialism and Apartheid", which could meet with the largest possible measure of agreement at the twentieth session of the General Conference ;

25. Stresses the importance it attaches to the progress of work on the General History of Africa, and requests the Director-General to pursue his efforts to ensure the successful execution of this important project, in regard both to the preparation of the work and to the obtainment of voluntary financial contributions ;
26. Considers that, by virtue of the work they accomplished and the eminent personalities who took part in it, the International Committee on Intellectual Co-operation and the International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation of the League of Nations constitute a highly significant antecedent for Unesco, and requests the Director-General to study the possibility of compiling, for publication and circulation, a synoptic history of the International Committee on Intellectual Co-operation which would emphasize the contribution made by its members and the guiding principles of its work.

(105 EX/SR.3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 26)

5.1.2 Report of the Special Committee on its study in depth of the topics which it is to examine on the basis of the Organization's activities in 1977 (105 EX/4)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling its decision 5.1.2 adopted at its 103rd session, whereby it decided that the Special Committee should conduct studies in depth, at its meeting preceding the 105th session, on topics concerning the Organization's activities in 1977,
2. Having considered the Special Committee's report on this item (105 EX/4),
3. Expresses its particular gratitude to the following members of the Special Committee who served as Rapporteurs:

Topic (i) Education to encourage respect for human rights and the ideals of peace

Mr. L.N. Kutakov (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)  
(105 EX/SP/RAP/1)

Mr. T. Buerghenthal and Mrs. J.V. Torney, deputies for  
Mr. H .E. Kerry (United States of America) (105 EX/SP/RAP/5)

Topic (ii) Development and promotion of research on population problems and the implications of the findings for population education

Mr. M. Dayal, deputy for Mr. S . Gopal (India)  
(105 EX/SP/RAP/4)

Topic (iii) Higher education and the training of educational personnel

(a) International co-operation in higher education (conventions, recognition of diplomas, structural changes, etc. )

Mr. T. Ngakoutou (Chad) (105 EX/SP/RAP/7)

(b) Lifelong education and democratization of higher education

Mr. M. Muss, deputy for Chief R. Agiobu-Kemmer  
(Nigeria) (105 EX/SP/RAP/10)

(c) Need for, and prospects in, the planning and forecasting of higher education

Mr. H. Herrera Hernandez, deputy for Mr. J. Le Riverend  
(Cuba) (105 EX/SP/RAP/6)

Topic (iv) Review of experience gained and problems encountered in performance of the treasury functions of the Director-General

Mr. H. Gründel, deputy for Mr. J. Petersen (Federal Republic of Germany) (105 EX/SP/RAP/3)

Topic (v) Unesco and the child: Unesco's experience in addressing itself to the needs of children through regular and extra-budgetary activities in its areas of competence, and possible new forms of action for the future

Mr. L. Laufer, deputy for Mr. H.E. Kerry (United States of America) (105 EX/SP/RAP/8)

Mr. H. Philp (Australia) (105 EX/SP/RAP/9)

Topic (vi) Strengthening of cultural values and cultural policy-making

Mrs. E Krassowska (Poland) (105 EX/SP/RAP/2);

4. Decides that the reports of Rapporteurs should be considered as annexes to the Special Committee's report;
5. Presents the following recommendations with respect to the conclusions arising from each study in depth:

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Education to encourage respect for human rights and the ideals of peace

6. Noting that the safeguarding of peace between peoples constitutes one of the most important guarantees of respect for human rights,
7. Stressing that wars of aggression, colonialism and racism are inconsistent with the principle of respect for and observance of human rights,
8. Recognising that education is vital to the development of respect for human rights and the ideals of peace and that co-operation for the promotion of human rights and the promotion of world peace are inextricably linked,
9. Noting with satisfaction the valuable recommendations of the recent International Congress on the Teaching of Human Rights (Vienna, 12-16 September) which called for the development of human rights education for all individuals on a lifelong basis,
10. Considering that the elaboration and implementation of programmes in this field require a multidisciplinary, intersectoral approach,
11. Invites the Director-General to pursue co-ordination and integration of action within the Secretariat for the development of education for the promotion of human rights and peace;
12. Recommends to the General Conference and the Director-General that activities in this field bearing on research, teacher training, the improvement of curriculum and teaching materials and the role of mass media and information be strengthened;
13. Recommends further that the General Conference, at one of its future sessions, consider the possibility of establishing a system of periodic reporting by Member States on the effect they have given to the Recommendation concerning Education for International Understanding, Co-operation and Peace and Education relating to Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms;
14. Requests the Director-General to communicate the Final Document of the Vienna Congress to the General Conference at its twentieth session so that the Conference may be informed of the various recommendations in the Document, especially those suggesting:
  - (a) the drawing up of a six-year plan for education in human rights;
  - (b) the setting up of a voluntary fund for the development of knowledge of human rights through teaching and training;
  - (c) the undertaking of a preliminary study with a view to the preparation of a Unesco convention on human rights education and teaching;

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Development and promotion of research on population problems

15. Recognising the importance of population factors for development,

16. Bearing in mind Unesco's mandate in population and the recommendations of the World Population Plan of Action (Bucharest, 1974))
17. Invites the Director-General to give the fullest attention to the following recommendations :
  - (a) research should be problem-oriented, with special reference to the social, economic and cultural factors involved in establishing and implementing population policies ;
  - (b) the fullest use should be made of the media, and of formal and informal education and information systems, in order to achieve speedy diffusion of research results to policy-makers, field workers, the rural masses and the school-age populations ;
  - (c) special stress should be laid on research relevant to and aimed at developing strategies for the motivation and participation of the public in population programmes;
  - (d) additional funds should be sought for Unesco's population programmes;
  - (e) there should be closer co-ordination of population activities at Headquarters in the fields of social sciences and of education and improved liaison between Population Communication and Population Education Advisers working at regional level;

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#### Higher education and the training of educational personnel

18. Stresses Unesco's responsibility in assisting Member States to bring about the expansion and qualitative improvement of higher education and to ensure that it contributes fully to the development of the individual and to the democratization of education and to development, peace and international understanding;
19. Considers that, to this end, the Director-General, in implementing the programme for 1979-1980, once approved by the General Conference, and in preparing the draft programme for 1981-1982, must, in so far as the means available permit, make a particular effort to:
  - (a) strengthen the link between studies on the planning of higher education and development of higher education in its different aspects;
  - (b) undertake studies on the methodology of planning and forecasting requirements for highly qualified personnel, together with activities for the purpose of training forecasting specialists;
  - (c) undertake studies with a view to spelling out the role of universities in development;
  - (d) undertake, on the basis of case studies, comparative studies on innovations in the structure and content of higher education;
  - (e) study questions relating to the autonomy of universities, taking into account the socio-economic context and the needs of society;
  - (f) evolve a methodology for evaluating innovations and experiments in the field of higher education;
  - (g) undertake studies on the content of higher education and on the balance that has to be struck between general, humanist education and specialized training with a view to ensuring full human development, and on the interdisciplinary organization of curricula content and training;
  - (h) encourage the diversification of specialized education;
  - (i) accord a greater place in the programme to the training of higher education personnel, having regard to their new functions, and to the training of research personnel, particularly with a view to endogenous development;
  - (j) strengthen activities and structures designed to encourage the development of scientific and technological research in universities;

- (k) ensure that the consultative services provided for Member States help them to develop innovative methods in higher education in line with their specific needs ;

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Experience gained and problems encountered in performance of the treasury functions of the Director-General

20. Notes the highly interesting nature of the information brought to its knowledge in connection with the treasury problems facing the Organization,
21. Also notes the complexity of the problems encountered by the Director-General in performing his treasury functions and the value of the efforts he is making to solve them in the best possible interests of the Organization;
22. Recalls that the regular payment of contributions is of fundamental importance for the existence of the Organization;
23. Decides, in view of the importance of this question for the Member States and of the Director-General's concern regarding the financing of the Organization's programme, to consider it further at its 107th session on the basis of the study in depth presented by Mr. H. Gründel, deputy for Mr. J. Petersen (Federal Republic of Germany) in document 105 EX/SP/RAP/3;

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Unesco and the child

24. Notes with satisfaction the importance and range of the activities undertaken by the Organization, from both Regular Budget and extra-budgetary resources, to cater for the needs of children;
25. Stresses the need to make these activities more coherent and define their goals in a comprehensive manner;
26. Agrees that priority should be given in connection with these activities to children in the developing countries, and in particular children not attending school, children of pre-school age and handicapped children;
27. Recommends that this question be tackled from the standpoint of the development of the environment in a manner conducive to the self-expression of the child rather than in exclusive terms of formal education;
28. Invites the Director-General:
- (a) to strengthen and develop the Organization's activities in this field during the next biennium and to an even greater degree in the 1981-1982 biennium, taking into consideration the specific recommendations made in the two in-depth studies (105 EX/SP/RAP/8 and 105 EX/SP/RAP/9), with particular regard to providing more systematic support for non-conventional forms of education ;
  - (b) to define in clear terms the Organization's overall strategy in regard to participation in the proposed programme to mark the International Year of the Child ;
  - (c) to examine with Unicef ways and means of increasing co-operation with a view to carrying out these activities under the existing co-operative agreement between Unesco and Unicef;
  - (d) to examine ways and means of strengthening the joint action already initiated with the other organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, and in particular with Unicef, the World Food Programme (WFP), WHO and FAO; and, to that end, to convene in due course, in conjunction with the other agencies involved, an interdisciplinary group of experts to study the needs of children, notably in the developing countries, and more especially of those children not attending school, and to recommend joint action with a view to increasing, to the maximum possible extent, the likelihood of all children fulfilling their innate potentialities ;
  - (e) to examine, in connection with the preparation of the next Medium-Term Plan (22 C/4), the possibility of laying down one or more interdisciplinary objectives defining Unesco's policies in regard to the needs of the child

and covering children of school and pre-school age, whether attending school or not, and of arranging, as may be necessary, for the relevant programmes and operational structures to be revised;

(f) also to re-examine the entire programme for handicapped children and young people and those with special learning difficulties, in order that this question may receive all the attention it deserves;

29. Invites the Director-General to report to it on the implementation of these recommendations at one of its sessions in 1980;

## VI

### Strengthening of cultural values and cultural policy-making

30. Stressing that in the last ten years the role of culture as a factor making for the development of present-day societies has gradually secured fuller recognition,

31. Reaffirming that cultural policy should be an integral part of general socio-economic development policy,

32. Considering that every State has the sovereign right to devise and to implement, in accordance with its situation and needs, a national cultural policy aimed at democratizing cultural life and preserving and enriching its cultural values and cultural heritage,

33. Being of the opinion that cultural values, which are essential to the vitality of all societies, and the expression of the cultural identity of each nation should form the basis of cultural policies,

34. Notes with satisfaction :

(a) that Unesco is making an important contribution to the formulation of principles to govern cultural policies;

(b) that the whole question of cultural values is occupying an increasingly large place in both the Medium-Term Plan and the Draft Programme for 1979-1980;

(c) that the action carried out by Unesco in accordance with resolutions 3026 A (XXVII), 3148 (XXVIII) and 31/39 (XXXI), adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 1972, 1973 and 1976 respectively, and based on the reports by the Director-General to the General Assembly and the results of the work of the Committee of Experts on the Preservation and Further Development of Cultural Values which met in Warsaw in October 1977, makes an important contribution to defining the place and role of cultural values in the contemporary world;

35. Considers that cultural co-operation between free and equal partners, based on the respect due to all cultures, is a factor making for their reciprocal enrichment, mutual understanding between peoples, the eradication of colonialism, racism, apartheid and all forms of discrimination, and, hence, for the strengthening of peace;

36. Requests the Director-General to continue to develop Unesco's programmes for the contribution and participation of women and young people in culture and the preservation and development of cultural values;

37. Stresses the need for co-ordination of activities relating to cultural values as an essential factor in any cultural policy;

38. Stresses the importance of the provision made in the Draft Programme for 1979-1980 for a publication on the place and role of cultural values in contemporary societies, to be the culmination of an interdisciplinary study for which adequate funds will be made available;

39. Considers it necessary to ensure that the entire range of questions involved in cultural values is given its rightful place at future conferences dealing with cultural policies, and particularly at the world conference to be held in 1981 or 1982, and to arrange for a general review of the results of the studies on the place and role of cultural values in contemporary societies to be published and disseminated by the Secretariat before this conference;

40. Recommends that the principle of the preservation and further development of cultural values should be reflected in all the activities of the Organization concerned with the promotion of cultural policies and with cultural action in education, work and leisure pursuits.

(105 EX/SR.25)

5.1.3 Printed Report of the Director-General on the Activities of the Organization in 1977-1978

5.1.3.1 Structure of the Report: Report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered the report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4) concerning the structure of the Report of the Director-General on the Activities of the Organization in 1977- 1978,
2. Takes note of document 105 EX/SP/2 and the proposals concerning the structure of the Report.

(105 EX/SR. 25)

5.1.3.2 Selection of topics for study in depth by the Special Committee in 1979: Report of the Special Committee (105 EX/4)

The Executive Board,

1. Having noted the report of the Special Committee on item 5.1.3.2 of its agenda "Selection of topics for study in depth by the Special Committee in 1979",
2. Having taken note of the subjects suggested for study by members of the Special Committee (105 EX/SP/INF.5 and 6) and of the suggestions submitted by the Secretariat (105 EX/SP/INF.4), with the breakdown of these proposals by objectives of the Medium-Term Plan and functions of the Organization (105 EX/SP/INF.7),
3. Decides to defer to its 106th session the selection of the topics for study in depth 1979, in connection with the Report of the Director-General on the Activities of the Organization in 1977-1978, as well as the nomination of the Rapporteurs;
4. Instructs the Special Committee, at its meeting to be held before the 107th session of the Board with a view to the formulation of recommendations, to conduct an overall examination of the studies in depth, which should relate in particular to points such as the orientation of the studies in depth and the nature of topics to be selected; the desirable number of such studies for a single year; methodology and presentation of the studies; the purpose of the studies and their impact on the activities of the Organization; broader distribution for some of these studies.

(105 EX/SR.25)

5.2 Education

5.2.1 The Organization's literacy programme: Conclusions and recommendations of the Director-General to the Executive Board and to the General Conference on ways and means of implementing 19 C/Resolution 1.192 (105 EX/9 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

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1. Having considered with satisfaction document 105 EX/9 (20 C/71) in which the Director-General submitted to it his conclusions and recommendations on ways and means of implementing resolution 1.192, concerning the intensification of the efforts of Member States and of the Organization in their fight against illiteracy, adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session,
2. Expressing its profound concern in the face of the increasing magnitude of the problem of illiteracy throughout the world,
3. Convinced that the persistence of illiteracy is both a violation of the right to education and an obstacle to the overall development of societies and to the establishment of a new international economic order,



4. Recommends that the General Conference reiterate its appeal to the Member States concerned to continue to intensify their efforts to ensure that literacy provision is extended to the whole of their populations, bearing particularly in mind the following considerations:
  - (a) the struggle against illiteracy is a task which primarily involves the national responsibility; if it is to be successful, there must be a firm political will exercised with perseverance at the highest level, and all the national resources available must be mobilized;
  - (b) active and organized participation by the populations concerned is essential for the success of literacy work; literacy work devised and carried out in the light of the specific conditions of each group is an important factor in endogenous development;
  - (c) literacy work, as a component of a lifelong process of education, should be part of an overall strategy for the development of education linking together both formal and non-formal education;
  - (d) literacy work should be based upon the objectives of economic, social and cultural development; far from being an end in itself, it is a fundamental condition for the full participation of individuals and groups in the life of society and in the determination of their destiny;
  - (e) the prime responsibility which devolves upon Member States in regard to literacy work and the decisive role of national efforts make it no less essential, in present conditions, that there should be active solidarity between States and between individuals. The international community and Unesco in particular have an important responsibility in this regard;

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5. Considering that the conditions for the success of a possible Unesco literacy decade have yet to emerge,
6. Invites the Director-General to establish appropriate contacts with the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system concerned, so as to ensure that literacy shall be a basic component of the Third United Nations Development Decade;
7. Recommends that the General Conference invite the Director-General to include literacy among the main topics to be selected for the preliminary studies with a view to the preparation of the Organization's second Medium-Term Plan, since action to promote literacy should constitute a top priority objective of that Plan;
8. Endorsing the conclusions contained in document 105 EX/9 according to which, at the present stage, the setting up of an international literacy fund would not help to bring about a marked increase in the amount of resources earmarked for the literacy programme,
9. Recommends that the General Conference launch an urgent appeal to all Member States, to governmental and non-governmental organizations, and to all groups concerned with education and development, inviting them:
  - (a) to support, by all the means at their disposal, literacy activities, particularly in the least developed countries ;
  - (b) to contribute generously to the Unesco Special Account for voluntary contributions for literacy work;

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10. Having noted with satisfaction the main lines of emphasis in the programme concerning literacy for the period 1979-1980,
11. Recommends that the General Conference invite the Director-General, when preparing the Draft Programme and Budget for 1981-1982 (21 C/5), to foresee for Objective 6.1 a considerably higher rate of growth than that initially adopted for this objective, taking into account the proposals made by him in Section IV of document 20 C/71.

5.2.2 Renewal of the terms of reference and appointment of new members of the Joint ILO/Unesco Committee of Experts on the Application of the Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers (105 EX/10 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Referring to the decision taken at its 87th session concerning the extension of the term of office of the Committee members until 31 December 1976 (87 EX/Decision 4.2.6),
2. Recalling the view expressed at its 100th session that "the renewal of part of the Joint Committee and the extension of the term of office of some of its present members would ensure the desired balance within that body" (100 EX/Decision 5.2.1 and document 100 EX/14, paragraph 21))
3. Also recalling resolution 1.171 adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session by which it invited "the Executive Board and the Director-General, after consultations with the International Labour Organization, to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Joint ILO/Unesco Committee may pursue its activities so that a further report by the Committee may be submitted to the General Conference at its twenty-second session in 1982",
4. Having examined the Director-General's proposals concerning the extension of the term of office and the designation of new members of the Joint ILO/Unesco Committee of Experts on the Application of the Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers,
5. Extends the term of office of the following members of the Joint Committee:  
Mr. S B. Adaval (India)  
Mr. Y.S. Kotb (Egypt)  
Mr. K.V. Sizov (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics);
6. Designates the following three new members:  
Mr. Iichi Sagara (Japan)  
Mr. William Taylor (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)  
Mr. Iba Der Thiam (Senegal) ;
7. Agrees that the term of office of these six members shall expire on 31 December 1982.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

5.2.3 United Nations University: Annual report of the University Council and report of the Director-General (105 EX/12 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Notes with interest the Annual Report of the United Nations University Council and of the relevant report of the Director-General (105 EX/12);
2. Appreciates the way in which the Council has fulfilled its responsibilities, the value of the directives it has given to the Rector of the University and to his colleagues, and the efforts expended by the Rector and his colleagues during the past year;
3. Notes with satisfaction the development of the three programmes in the priority areas identified by the Council and the efforts made to interrelate and integrate them;
4. Encourages the University, in keeping with the aims and principles of the United Nations Charter and in accordance with the terms of its own Charter, to define and spell out its specific role in terms of original programme content and innovative methods of execution;
5. Welcomes the collaboration that has been established between the University and the agencies of the United Nations system, especially Unesco, and emphasizes the need for further progress in the strengthening of such co-operation with a view to achieving the necessary complementarity between their respective activities;

6. Expresses its satisfaction with the efforts made by the University with a view to promoting co-operation between institutions in a number of different countries and the establishment of networks of research workers and research institutions;
7. Urges that co-operation between the United Nations University and academic communities, university institutions and scientific research bodies of Member States of Unesco be strengthened and expanded, due attention being paid to ensuring a satisfactory geographical balance in the selection of new associated institutions as well as in other aspects of the University's activities;
8. Stresses the need for the University to examine the possibility of setting up integrated institutions as well as establishing associate relations with existing research and training institutions ;
9. Affirms its conviction that the development of the United Nations University requires and deserves greater financial support, in order to accomplish its work, than it has received;
10. Reiterates its appeal to Member States to contribute generously to the University Endowment Fund and, additionally or alternatively, make special contributions for research and training activities;
11. Recommends that the General Conference adopt a resolution addressing a similar appeal to all Member States of Unesco for their support of the University;
12. Invites the Director-General to provide every possible assistance in following up the appeals expressed in accordance with the foregoing paragraphs 10 and 11;
13. Invites the Director-General to continue to co-operate with the United Nations University, particularly by associating himself as far as is necessary in some of its activities ;
14. Invites the Director-General to transmit the record of the discussions of the 105th session of the Executive Board on this agenda item, together with the relevant documents and the text of the decision of the Executive Board, to the Chairman of the United Nations University Council and to the Rector.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

5.2.4 Analytical report of the Director-General on the experience of Member States with study-service in higher education and recommendations for Unesco's future role in this field (105 EX/13 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined with interest the analytical report submitted by the Director-General, in accordance with resolution 1.181 adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session, on the experience of Member States with study-service in higher education,
2. Taking note of the report with satisfaction,
3. Further noting that the report indicates that study-service programmes undoubtedly have a positive impact on students, educational institutions, teachers and courses,
4. Taking into account the recommendations of the Director-General regarding Unesco's role in this field,
5. Recommends that the General Conference request the Director-General to:
  - (a) Disseminate the analytical report;
  - (b) Collect and disseminate additional and more specific information on study-services through :
    - (i) the publication of documents in the form of case studies, in-depth studies, comparative studies and other appropriate materials ;
    - (ii) Unesco's regional and subregional co-operative networks for educational innovations and the resources of the International Institute for Educational Planning (IIEP) and the International Bureau of Education (IBE) ;

- (iii) regional meetings, experts' meetings and other available appropriate means, more particularly by introducing questions relating to study-service into the agenda of conferences and meetings organized by Unesco, in particular those relating to innovative trends in higher education in the interest of the democratization of education and of its contribution to development;
- (c) Encourage Member States to seek Unesco's co-operation for the development of their activities in the field of study-service under the Participation Programme;
- (d) Explore with other United Nations organizations, international and regional agencies and non-governmental organizations the possibilities of financial and technical co-operation in the field of study-service;
- (e) Make an analytical report in 1980 to the Executive Board and the General Conference identifying the nature and scope of other activities which Unesco might consider undertaking in this field.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

5.2.5 Recommendations of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations concerning examination of the periodic reports of Member States on the application of the Convention and Recommendation against Discrimination in Education (105 EX/14)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling decision 5.2.1 which it adopted at its 104th session after examining the third report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations on the application of the Convention and Recommendation against Discrimination in Education (104 EX/CR/ED/1 and Corr.1 and 2 rev. and annexes),
2. Having noted the report of the said Committee concerning the examination of the periodic reports of Member States on the application of the Convention and Recommendation, which it adopted at its meeting of 28 September 1978 (105 EX/14),
3. Concurs with the conclusions reached by the Committee concerning the need:
  - (a) to invite the Director-General to communicate in future to Committee members the reports from Member States, together with the summaries thereof, as and when they are received by the Secretariat, in order that the Committee might be able to examine the full text of these reports ;
  - (b) to ask that the Secretariat assist it as in the past, particularly in the preparation of the summaries of the reports and of the synopsis of all the information obtained;
  - (c) with the assistance of the Director-General to draft a new concise, simple and relevant questionnaire in which questions relating to the socio-economic and cultural situation obtaining in the different countries should be treated as being as substantial as legal questions;
  - (d) to transmit the results of the fourth consultation of Member States to the General Conference at its twenty-third session;
4. Recalls that the submission of periodic reports by Member States concerning the implementation of conventions and recommendations adopted by the General Conference is not only a constitutional obligation but also represents a valuable source of information for the Member States themselves;
5. Associates itself once more with the Committee's regrets that only 54 of the 144 Member States replied to the questionnaire for the third consultation on the application of the above-mentioned two instruments, and that a number of the reports received were not sufficiently detailed or explicit on some points;
6. Recalls the recommendation which it formulated at its 104th session (104 EX/Decision 5.2.1), namely that the General Conference at its twentieth session invite Member States which have not submitted a report in the course of the third consultation to do so as soon as possible, it being understood that the report of the Committee on such reports and the comments of the Executive Board would be transmitted to the General Conference at its twenty-first session;

7. Recommends again that the General Conference at its twentieth session:
  - (a) strongly urge Member States to implement the Convention and Recommendation and to make regular and complete reports on the measures taken by them to this end;
  - (b) invite Member States which have not yet done so to become Parties to the Convention.

(105 EX/SR. 23)

5.3 Natural Sciences

5.3.1 Report on the contribution of science and technology to the development of arid zones (follow-up action on the United Nations Conference on Desertification) (105 EX/15 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Noting with satisfaction the report "Trends in Research and the Application of Science and Technology for Arid Zone Development", prepared at the request of the United Nations Committee on Science and Technology for Development,
2. Expresses its agreement with that Committee's assessment of the approach followed in the report and of the relevance of its conclusions;
3. Congratulates the Director-General on the steps he took with a view to the preparation of the report;
4. Hopes that the National Committees of the Intergovernmental Programme on Man and the Biosphere (MAB) of the countries concerned will strengthen their organizational framework for dealing with arid zone problems;
5. Recommends that the report should be published as a MAB Technical Note, due account being taken of the views expressed by the members of the Executive Board during its discussions ;
6. Approves the report's approach and conclusions and stresses that the ties which link technical applications to the fundamental sciences, and the need for a comprehensive view of environmental problems call for the promotion of integrated research within the framework of the natural and social sciences in order to solve the problems involved in the rational management of the arid zones for development purposes ;
7. Requests the Director-General to continue research and training activities on an interdisciplinary basis in close collaboration with the Member States and the United Nations agencies concerned, in order to find practical solutions to the problems of the arid zones, particular attention being devoted to policies for the management and rational exploration of hydrological resources;
8. Considers that it is important to integrate these activities into the general framework of Unesco's contribution to the preparation of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development and to the follow-up action to that Conference.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

5.4 Social Sciences and their Applications

5.4.1 Report of the Director-General and the Executive Board on the implementation of Part II of 19 C/Resolution 12.1 (105 EX/16)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/16 which contains a report of its own and the Director-General's action in implementation of Part II of 19 C/Resolution 12.1 concerning Unesco's contribution to peace and its tasks with respect to the promotion of human rights and the elimination of colonialism and racialism,
2. Having also examined at its 105th session the related issues of periodic reports from Member States on several international instruments, notably those contained in document 20 C/40 and 20 C/84, and having adopted decisions on these questions,

3. Recalling that the procedures it adopted at its 104th session for the examination of cases and questions which might be submitted to Unesco concerning the exercise of human rights in the spheres of its competence, in order to make its action more effective (104 EX/Decision 3.3)) have begun to be applied by its Committee on Conventions and Recommendations at its 105th session,
4. Transmits document 105 EX/16, together with the summary records of the Board's discussion on this subject, to the General Conference for consideration within the framework of its general policy debate.

(105 EX/SR.22, 23, 27)

5.4.2 Unesco's contribution to the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in the light of the decisions of the Economic and Social Council and of the Human Rights Committee (105 EX/52)

The Executive Board decided to postpone consideration of this item to a subsequent session.

(105 EX/SR.18)

5.5 Culture and Communication

5.5.1 Reports of Member States on the action they have taken to implement the Recommendation on the means of prohibiting and preventing the illicit export, import and transfer of ownership of cultural property (1964) and the Convention on the means of prohibiting and preventing the illicit import, export and transfer of ownership of cultural property (1970): Report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations (105 EX/18)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations concerning the reports received from Member States on the action taken by them to implement the Convention on the means of prohibiting and preventing the illicit import, export and transfer of ownership of cultural property and the corresponding Recommendation (105 EX/18),
2. Endorses the conclusions formulated by the Committee in its report,
3. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the following draft resolution:

"The General Conference,

Having examined the reports of Member States on the action taken by them to implement the Convention on the means of prohibiting and preventing the illicit import, export and transfer of ownership of cultural property and the Recommendation on the same question (20 C/84 and Add. 1))

Having noted the report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations (20 C/84 Add. 2) on this question,

Recognizing the importance and value of the action taken to implement the Convention and Recommendation by those Member States which submitted reports,

Regretting however that as at 15 September 1978 only 39 States had deposited their instrument of ratification or acceptance of the Convention,

Regretting also that many Member States did not respond to resolution 4.122, adopted at its nineteenth session, whereby it invited Member States to submit reports on this matter for consideration at its twentieth session,

Noting that difficulties have arisen in connection with the implementation of the Convention,

Reasserting the urgent need to take effective action against illicit traffic in cultural property, not only at the national level, but also by closer international co-operation,

Considering it therefore of paramount importance that a greater number of States participate in the international effort to achieve this purpose,

1. Calls upon Member States which have not already done so to become Parties to the Convention on the means of prohibiting and preventing the illicit import, export and transfer of ownership of cultural property ;
2. Requests the Director-General to seek further information on the problems raised for certain States by the implementation of the Convention and on the experience acquired by other States in this field ;
3. Invites the Executive Board to instruct its Committee on Conventions and Recommendations to formulate, on the basis of the additional and more comprehensive data referred to above, proposals for the implementation of the Convention, as foreseen in Article 17 thereof, and to submit these proposals, in due course, to the General Conference;
4. Decides that Member States will be invited to forward a second report on the action they have taken to implement the Convention for examination by the General Conference at its twenty-fourth session”.

5.5.2 Anticipated revision of the History of the Scientific and Cultural Development of Mankind (105 EX/19 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling resolution 3.311 adopted by the General Conference at its sixteenth session, appreciating the distinguished work accomplished by the International Commission for a History of the Scientific and Cultural Development of Mankind,
2. Noting that considerable advances have been made in both research and methodology since those volumes of the Scientific and Cultural History of Mankind were published,
3. Reasserting its conviction that, in order for the work to be authoritative, any form of revision should take into account factual accuracy and the most recent progress of research and methodology, including the contributions of existing oral traditions, and also fully represent regions of major importance which were not given the kind of consideration which they would doubtless receive today,
4. Recommends that any revision should be geared towards the widest audience, through cheap editions and versions in as many languages as possible, and lend itself to periodical up-dating;
5. Recommends the General Conference to authorize the Director-General to constitute to that effect an International Commission under the Presidency of Professor Paulo E. de Berredo Carneiro, which will include distinguished scholars from the relevant disciplines and be representative of all regions of the world;
6. Requests the Director-General to report to the General Conference in order to obtain its approval for this project and its authorization for the financing of the International Commission's activities during the biennium within the Approved Budget for 1979-1980.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

5.5.4 International Simon Bolivar Prize (105 EX/21 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board ,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/21 concerning the International Simon Bolivar Prize to be awarded every second year, starting on 24 July 1983, the bicentenary of the birth of Simon Bolivar, to those who have made an outstanding contribution to the freedom, independence and dignity of peoples and to the strengthening of solidarity among nations, or who have fostered their development or facilitated the quest for a new international economic, social and cultural order,
2. Considering that the purposes of the Prize coincide with those of Unesco as they are defined in its Constitution and with those established by resolutions 9.1 and 12.1 adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session (Nairobi 1976))

3. Authorizes the Director-General to accept the generous offer of the Venezuelan Government to establish an international prize which will be financed from funds provided by that Government;
4. Approves the statutes of the International Simon Bolivar Prize appended in Annex I to this decision ;
5. Takes note of the Financial Regulations, appended in Annex II, governing the Special Account opened for that Prize;
6. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to convey the gratitude of the Executive Board to the Venezuelan Government;
  - (b) to inform the General Conference of the establishment and characteristics of the Prize, at the same time requesting Member States, National Commissions and non-governmental organizations to give it all their support and to submit candidatures when the appropriate time comes;
  - (c) to take all appropriate steps, through the competent sectors of the Secretariat and its press and other information organs, its Regional Offices and representatives throughout the world, through the appropriate channels, to ensure that the International Simon Bolivar Prize receives wide publicity, so that when it is awarded consideration may be given to all those persons or institutions of outstanding merit in the activities which the Prize is designed to encourage and support.

#### ANNEX I

##### STATUTES OF THE INTERNATIONAL SIMON BOLIVAR PRIZE

#### 1. Purpose

The purpose of the International Simon Bolivar Prize (hereinafter called "the Prize") is to reward activity of outstanding merit which, in accordance with the ideals of Simon Bolivar, has contributed to the freedom, independence and dignity of peoples and to the strengthening of solidarity among nations, fostered their development or facilitated the establishment of a new international economic, social and cultural order. Such activity may take the form of intellectual or artistic creation, a social achievement or the mobilization of public opinion.

#### 2. Periodicity

The Prize shall be awarded by the Director-General of Unesco (hereinafter called "the Director-General") at an official public meeting which shall be held every two years, on 24 July or on a day very close to that date. The Prize shall be awarded for the first time on 24 July 1983, the date of the bicentenary of the birth of Simon Bolivar.

#### 3. Amount

The Prize shall consist of a sum the amount of which shall be determined by the Director-General in agreement with the Government of Venezuela. This sum shall be obtained from the interest yielded by a Special Account (hereinafter called "the Account") set up by the Director-General, in accordance with the financial regulations of Unesco, with funds contributed by the Government of Venezuela for that purpose. The investment of these funds shall be carried out in accordance with the procedures proposed by Unesco and approved by the Government of Venezuela.

#### 4. Selection of prize-winners

The prize-winners shall be selected by an international jury, whose decision must be unanimous.

#### 5. Jury

The Jury shall consist of seven members:

five eminent persons representing the various regions of the world, appointed in a personal and honorary capacity by the Director-General for a period of four years;

one eminent person appointed by the Government of Venezuela;

one representative of the Director-General



The Jury shall adopt its Rules of Procedure unanimously.

The Director-General shall convene the Jury and prepare the agenda of its meeting.

The Director-General shall designate a member of the Secretariat of Unesco to act as Secretary to the Jury. The cost of meetings of the Jury shall be met from the Account.

6. Requirements

The Prize shall be awarded to one or more individuals or institutions for each of whom a candidature has been submitted by the government of a Member State or Associate Member of Unesco, by an intergovernmental organization, or by a non-governmental organization having consultative and associate relations (category A) or information and consultative relations (category B) with Unesco.

Should the Jury not reach a unanimous decision in favour of any of the candidatures submitted, it may take into consideration any other candidature submitted to it by at least two of its members.

7. Duration

The Prize shall be established for an unlimited duration. If the Government of Venezuela and Unesco should decide to discontinue awarding the Prize, the liquid assets in the Account shall be returned to the Venezuelan authorities concerned, after deduction of any expenses remaining unpaid at the time of the discontinuance of the Prize.

ANNEX II

FINANCIAL REGULATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT  
FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SIMON BOLIVAR PRIZE

1. Creation of the Special Account

In accordance with Articles 6.6 and 6.7 of the Financial Regulations of Unesco, there is hereby created a Special Account to be known as the "Special Account for the International Simon Bolivar Prize", hereinafter called "the Special Account".

2. Purpose of the Account

In accordance with its Statutes, the International Simon Bolivar Prize shall be awarded for outstanding contributions to freedom, independence and dignity of people and to the establishment of a new international economic, social and cultural order. It is the purpose of this Special Account to receive funds that will be invested to yield interest, from which the International Simon Bolivar Prize will be awarded. The Prize will be awarded every second **year**, starting on 24 July 1983, date of the second centenary of the birth of Simon Bolivar.

3. Income

The Special Account shall be credited with contributions from the Government of Venezuela and with the interest earned from the investment of such contributions.

4. Expenditure

The Special Account shall be debited with the payment or payments made to the winner or winners of the International Simon Bolivar Prize, and with administrative costs, including expenditure incurred in holding meetings of the international Jury responsible for the choice of the prize-winner(s). Expenditure shall be limited to the amount of interest earned and carried forward from year to year.

5. Accounts

- (a) the financial period shall be identical with that of the Regular Programme of Unesco;
- (b) the operations of the Special Account shall be the object of separate accounting and shall be included in the Financial Report of the Director-General;
- (c) any unused balance at the end of the financial period shall be carried forward to the following financial period;
- (d) the accounts of the Special Account shall be kept in dollars of the United States of America; subsidiary accounts may be kept in other currencies as required;
- (e) the accounts shall be presented for audit to the External Auditors of Unesco.

6. Investment

In accordance with Articles 9.1 and 9.2 of the Financial Regulations of Unesco, the Director-General is authorized to invest funds standing to the credit of the Special Account. The investments made shall be in accordance with a policy proposed by Unesco and approved by the Government of Venezuela. Interest derived from these investments shall be credited to the Special Account in accordance with Unesco's rules and procedures.

7. General provision

The application of these Regulations shall be without prejudice to the general provisions of the Financial Regulations of Unesco.

8. Closing down of the Account

The Director-General shall decide on the closing down of the Account at such time as he deems its operation is no longer necessary.

(105 EX/SR .27)

5.6 International Standards and Legal Affairs

5.6.1 Standard-setting action of the Organization: Proposals and report to be submitted to the General Conference in pursuance of 19 C/Resolution 6.112 (105 EX/22 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 19 C/Resolution 6.112 of the General Conference,
2. Having examined with interest document 105 EX/22: "The Organization's Normative Action : Proposals and Report by the Director-General and the Executive Board in pursuance of 19 C/Resolution 6.112",
3. Stressing the importance of Unesco's normative action, for which the optimum conditions of quality and efficiency should be provided,
4. Considers that most of the proposals put forward in document 105 EX/22 could bring about a significant improvement in the methods and quality of the Organization's normative action;
5. Recommends that the General Conference examine, in the light of 19 C/Resolution 6.112, the different proposals put forward in this document and take appropriate measures with a view to their application to conventions, recommendations and declarations.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

5.6.2 Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education: Transmission to the General Conference of the list of persons nominated to fill the seats that are to become vacant in 1978 (submission of the names of new candidates received since the 104th session) (105 EX/23 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the provisions of Article 3 of the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education,
2. Recalling 104 EX/Decision 5.6.1,
3. Noting the nomination communicated to it by the Director-General (document 105 EX/23),
4. Invites the Director-General to ensure that the list which, in conformity with the terms of the aforesaid decision, is to be transmitted to the General Conference takes account of this nomination."

(105 EX/SR.Z, 7)

- 5.6.3 Report of the Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education on its activities since the nineteenth session of the General Conference (105 EX/24 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board

1. Recalling the provisions of Article 19 of the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking a settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education,
2. Transmits to the General Conference the Commission's report on its activities since the nineteenth session of the General Conference.

(105 EX/SR.2, 7)

5.7 Publications

- 5.7.1 Assistance towards the publication in widely spoken languages of works published in less widely used languages by individuals or organizations outside Unesco (105 EX/25)

The Executive Board decided to postpone consideration of this item to a subsequent session.

(105 EX/SR. 18)

ITEM 6 GENERAL CONFERENCE

- 6.1 Revised agenda of the twentieth session of the General Conference (105 EX/26)

The Executive Board,

1. Having regard to Rules 11 and 12 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference.
2. Noting that within the time-limits established under Rule 11, three proposals were submitted by China, Haiti and the Netherlands individually and one by Algeria, Benin, Iraq and the United Republic of Tanzania jointly, and that the Director-General has requested the inclusion of two further items,
3. Noting that these six items are included in the supplementary list communicated to Member States and Associate Members in accordance with the provisions of Rule 11, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference (circular letter CL/2619 dated 2 October 1978),
4. Establishes the revised agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda (20 C/1) with the addition of the six questions referred to in paragraphs 7 and 8 of document 105 EX/26, which will constitute items 18.1, 67, 68, 69, 70 and 71;
5. Invites the Director-General to complete and amend accordingly the document concerning the organization of the work of the twentieth session of the General Conference (20 C/2).

(105 EX/SR. 7)

- 6.2 Place of the twenty-first session of the General Conference (105 EX/27)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/27 concerning the invitation of the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia to hold the twenty-first session of the General Conference in Belgrade,
2. Having also examined Annex II of that document containing the Director-General's estimates of the additional costs to be borne over and above the proposals set forth in document 20 C/5,
3. Recommends to the General Conference that the invitation be accepted, it being understood that the additional cost of \$800,000 be added to the budget ceiling proposed by the Director-General in document 20 C/5.

(105 EX/SR. 8)

6.3 Submission of candidates for the offices of President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and for the offices of Chairmen of the Commissions and Committees (in private meeting)

I

The Board decided to recommend that for its twentieth session, the General Conference increase the number of Vice-Presidents from 15 to 23 and to this effect suspend the application of the provisions of paragraph 1 of each of the Rules 25, 30, 34 and 38 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference in respect of the number of Vice-Presidents indicated therein.

II

The Executive Board, at a private meeting, decided to make the following recommendations concerning nominations(1) to the offices of President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and to the offices of Chairmen of the Commissions and Committees :

President of the General Conference: Mr. Napoleon LeBlanc (Canada)

Vice-Presidents: the heads of delegation of the following Member States: Barbados, Burundi, China, Cuba, Ecuador, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Federal Republic of Germany, Ghana, Indonesia, Japan, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mozambique, Netherlands, Oman, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America, Uruguay

Chairmen of Commissions and Committees :

<u>Programme Commission I</u> (Education)	Chief Reginald S G. Agiobu-Kemmer (Nigeria)
<u>Programme Commission II</u> (Natural Sciences)	Mr. Maheshwar Dayal (India)
<u>Programme Commission III</u> (Social Sciences)	Mr. Kazimierz Zygulski (Poland)
<u>Programme Commission IV</u> (Culture and Communication)	Mr. Alberto Wagner de Reyna (Peru)
<u>Programme Commission V</u> (General Programme Matters)	Mr. Chams Eldine El-Wakil (Egypt)
<u>Administrative Commission</u>	Mr. Charles Hummel (Switzerland)
<u>Credentials Committee</u>	Mr. Trailokya Nath Upraity (Nepal)
<u>Nominations Committee</u>	Mr. Joseph Ki-Zerbo (Upper Volta)
<u>Legal Committee</u>	(Venezuela) (2)
<u>Headquarters Committee</u>	Mr. Ludovico Carducci Artenisio (Italy)

III

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the provisions laid down in the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference for establishing the Bureau of the General Conference were formulated in 1948 when there were 37 Member States of the Organization, and that there are now 144 Member States,
2. Believes that there is an urgent need for an in-depth study of the nature and composition of the Bureau of the General Conference;
3. Decides that during 1979 it will undertake such a study, by the most appropriate means, with a view to the definition and adoption of criteria for determining the composition of the Bureau, including the number of its members and the rules for their selection.

(105 EX/SR .24, 26)

(1) The Nominations Committee of the General Conference was informed of these nominations by the Chairman of the Executive Board.

(2) There was no decision by the Board concerning a nomination.

6.4 Consideration of requests by international non-governmental organizations (other than those in categories A and B) to be represented by observers at the twentieth session of the General Conference (105 EX/28)

The Executive Board.

1. Having examined, in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the requests received from international non-governmental organizations to be represented by observers at the twentieth session of the General Conference (105 EX/28),
2. Decides to recommend to the General Conference that it admit as observers at its twentieth session representatives of:
  - (a) the following organizations in category C :  
Association for World Education  
Arab Lawyers Union  
International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences  
European Broadcasting Union  
and also
  - (b) Latin American Federation of Press Workers (affiliated to the World Confederation of Labour)  
World Press Freedom Committee.

(105 EX/SR.8, 9, 12)

6.5 Organization of the work of the twentieth session of the General Conference (105 EX/20)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered document 105 EX/20 concerning the organization of the work of the twentieth session of the General Conference,
2. Approves the proposals contained therein;
3. Invites the Director-General accordingly to include them in an addendum-corrigendum to document 20 C/2.

(105 EX/SR .9)

II

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that for hundreds of millions of people of the Islamic faith living in some 72 Member States, Eid Al-Adha and Eid Al-Fitr constitute days of great religious and cultural significance,
2. Noting that on these occasions up to four days are generally observed as holidays for Eid Al-Adha, on the 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th of the lunar month of Dhû-Hijja, and also one day for Eid Al-Fitr on the first of the lunar month of Shawwal.
3. Recalling that days of similar significance for other religions are regularly observed as holidays during the sessions of the General Conference and of the Executive Board of Unesco,
4. Considering that the feelings of those belonging to the Islamic faith, both in delegations of Member States and in the Secretariat, who desire to observe these holidays should be fully respected,
5. Recommends to the General Conference that Eid Al-Adha and Eid Al-Fitr be regularly observed as holidays during the official meetings of Unesco, and in particular during the sessions of the General Conference and of the Executive Board;

6. Invites the Director-General to take the necessary measures for the implementation of the present decision.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

ITEM 7 RELATIONS WITH MEMBER STATES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

7.1 Recent decisions and activities of the organizations of the United Nations system of relevance to Unesco (105 EX/29, Add. 1 and Corr. and Add. 2)

7.1.1 Follow-up action to the Declaration on Namibia and Programme of Action in Support of Self-Determination and National Independence for Namibia adopted by United Nations General Assembly at its Ninth Special Session (105 EX/29, paragraphs 1-15 and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined Part A of document 105 EX/29,
2. Taking note of the Declaration on Namibia and of the Programme of Action in Support of Self-Determination and National Independence for Namibia adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its Ninth Special Session,
3. Recalling the resolutions of the General Conference concerning the problem of Namibia and more particularly Part III of resolution 12.1, adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session,
4. Also noting the assistance already granted by Unesco to the United Nations Council for Namibia and to the national liberation movement of Namibia, the South West African People's Organization (SWAPO), and, more particularly, the assistance granted to the Institute for Namibia and the contribution to the Nationhood Programme for Namibia,
5. Invites the Director-General to continue Unesco's participation in the Nationhood Programme for Namibia, to help Namibia to deal with its most urgent needs in all Unesco's fields of competence and, more generally, to associate himself with the implementation of the decisions adopted by the Ninth Special Session of the General Assembly.

(105 EX/SR .27)

7.1.2 Results of the Tenth Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament (105 EX/29 Add. 1 and Corr.)

The Executive Board.

1. Bearing in mind that one of the main purposes of Unesco, as defined in its Constitution, is "to contribute to peace and security by promoting collaboration among the nations through education, science and culture in order to further universal respect for justice, for the rule of law and for the human rights and fundamental freedoms which are affirmed for the peoples of the world, without distinction of race, sex, language or religion, by the Charter of the United Nations",
2. Recalling the decision adopted at its 104th session to consider, at its 105th session the results of the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament,
3. Referring to the Final Document of the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament,
4. Considering that the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament urged Unesco "to intensify its activities aimed at promoting research and publications on disarmament, related to Unesco's fields of competence",
5. Noting with satisfaction that the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly welcomed "the initiative of Unesco in planning to hold a world congress on disarmament education" and urged the Organization "to step up its programme aimed at the development of disarmament education as a distinct field of study through the preparation, inter alia, of teachers' guides, textbooks, readers and audio-visual materials",
6. Noting particularly the fact that the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly stressed the important role of world public opinion in solving the problem of halting the arms race and achieving effective disarmament,

7. Reaffirms its conviction that unless its avenues are closed, the continued arms race means a growing threat to international peace and security, to fundamental human rights, to the economic and social development of peoples and even to the very survival of mankind,
8. Stresses the urgent necessity of further extending the work done by Unesco in generating a climate of public opinion conducive to the halting of the arms race and transition to disarmament, and in creating conditions-enabling all conflicts to be resolved by peaceful means,
9. Stresses that one of the primary tasks facing the whole world community today is to halt the arms race, with its threat to peace, which absorbs hundreds of billions of dollars, places a terrible burden on the economy of States and prevents enormous sums from being used for peaceful, constructive purposes,
10. Welcomes the active participation of the Director-General of Unesco in the work of the Tenth Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament;
11. Appreciates the work of the Tenth Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly, devoted to disarmament;
12. Expresses the readiness of Unesco to take a most active part, in its fields of competence, in promoting implementation of the appropriate provisions of the Final Document of the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament, taking into account the elaboration and carrying out of integrated multidisciplinary activities in this field;
13. Stresses that the halting of the arms race and transition to disarmament will release enormous human and material resources which could be applied to constructive purposes that would help to ensure the survival of the human species through the elimination, among other things, of poverty, hunger, disease and illiteracy throughout the world and train scientific and technological manpower in the developing countries, and expresses its conviction that this positive process will contribute significantly to establishment of a new international economic order;
14. Deems it desirable that all those engaged in education, science, culture and information all over the world should take a most active part in promoting Unesco's work in the field of disarmament;
15. Endorses the proposals of the Director-General regarding measures by Unesco in the field of disarmament contained in document 105 EX/29 Add. 1 (paragraphs 28-31) and requests him both to take into account the suggestions made during the Board's discussions at its 105th session and to implement them in the next biennium to the extent made possible by adjustments in the course of the execution of the programme;
16. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to continue to make full use of Unesco's possibilities in generating all over the world a climate of public opinion conducive to the implementation of the aims identified in the Final Document of the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to Disarmament;
  - (b) to promote further extension of the participation of non-governmental organizations and of the mass media in Unesco's activities in regard to solving the problems of disarmament, particularly by strengthening contacts between them and Unesco;
  - (c) to report to the General Conference at its twentieth session, in the framework of his report on the Organisation's activities, on the course of the discussion of this problem at the 105th session of the Executive Board;
17. Further invites its Chairman to include information on the same subject in the report of the Executive Board on its own activities in 1977-1978 which is to be submitted to the twentieth session of the General Conference.

7.1.3 Communication to the Economic and Social Council of the results of the Intergovernmental Conference on Strategies and Policies for Informatics (SPIN) (105 EX/29 Add. 2, Part A and 105 EX/57)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered the report of the Director-General on the communication to the Economic and Social Council of the results of the Intergovernmental Conference on Strategies and Policies for Informatics (SPIN) (105 EX/29 Add.2, Part A),
2. Having considered also resolution E/RES/1978/43 of the Economic and Social Council inviting the Director-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Intergovernmental Bureau for Informatics, to report to the Council, at its resumed second regular session, 1978, on the results of the SPIN Conference,
3. Welcomes the said resolution which should result in giving the proceedings and recommendations of the SPIN Conference greater prominence;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to communicate to the Economic and Social Council the report which he will submit to the General Conference at its twentieth session on the proceedings of the SPIN Conference;
5. Invites the Director-General to communicate to the Council any decisions and recommendations which may be adopted by the General Conference at its twentieth session on the basis of the report on the proceedings of the SPIN Conference ;
6. Expresses the hope that the Economic and Social Council will take the results of the SPIN Conference into full consideration when deciding on future steps to be taken to promote the use of computer science and technology for development;
7. Requests the Director-General to report to the Board on any action taken by the Economic and Social Council on the basis of the communications referred to in the present decision.

(105 EX/SR. 27)

7.2 Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system and implications thereof for Unesco (105 EX/30)

The Executive Board decided to postpone consideration of this item to a subsequent session \_

(105 EX/SR. 18)

7.3 Report of the Director-General on the implementation of 19 C/Resolution 7.34 (105 EX/31) and Report of the Executive Board's Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations (105 EX/32)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/31 and the relevant report of its Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations (105 EX/32),
2. Takes note of the contents of document 105 EX/31.

(105 EX/SR. 25)

7.4 Relations with the Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils (105 EX/33 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Having considered document 105 EX/33, submitted to it by the Director-General, concerning the effective working relations which might be established between the Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils and Unesco,
2. Authorizes the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils, in accordance with Article XI, paragraph 1, of Unesco's Constitution, with a view to drawing up a draft agreement establishing effective working relations between the two organizations;



3. Invites the Director-General to submit the draft agreement to the Executive Board for approval at a subsequent session.

(105 EX/SR. 2,7)

7.5 Relations with the Arab Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO)  
(105 EX/34 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/34, submitted to it by the Director-General, concerning the effective relations which might be established between the Arab Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO) and Unesco,
2. Authorizes the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Arab Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO), in accordance with Article XI, paragraph 1, of the Constitution of Unesco, with a view to preparing a draft agreement establishing effective working relations between the two organizations ;
3. Invites the Director-General to submit the draft agreement for its approval at a subsequent session.

(105 EX/SR.2, 7)

7.6 Draft agreement with the Arab Centre for Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands  
(105 EX/35 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling that at its 104th session it authorized the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Arab Centre for Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands with a view to drawing up a draft agreement and invited him to submit this draft agreement to the Executive Board for approval at a subsequent session (104 EX/Decision 7.9))
2. Having examined the report of the Director-General entitled "Draft agreement between Unesco and the Arab Centre for Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands" (105 EX/35),
3. Approves the draft agreement;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to sign it on behalf of Unesco.

(105 EX/SR.2, 7)

7.7 Draft agreement between Unesco and the World Tourism Organization (WTO)  
(105 EX/36 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling that at its 103rd session it authorized the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization (WTO) with a view to drawing up a draft agreement establishing official working relations between Unesco and WTO, and invited him to submit that draft agreement to the Board for approval at a subsequent session (103 EX/Decision 6.8))
2. Having considered the Director-General's report entitled "Draft agreement between Unesco and the World Tourism Organization" (105 EX/36) and the draft agreement itself set out in Annex I to that document,
3. Approves the draft agreement;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to sign it on behalf of Unesco

(105 EX/SR.2, 7)

7.8 Draft agreement with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (105 EX/37 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling that at its 104th session it authorized the Director-General to enter into negotiations with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference with a view

to drawing up a draft agreement establishing effective working relations between the two organizations (104 EX/Decision 7.8))

2. Having considered the Director-General's report entitled "Draft agreement with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference" (105 EX/37) and the draft agreement itself set out in Annex I to that document,
3. Approves the draft agreement;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to sign it on behalf of Unesco.

(105 EX/SR. 2, 7)

7.9 Draft agreement between Unesco and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) (105 EX/53 and 105 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling that at its 78th session it authorized the Director-General to pursue his consultations with the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) with a view to presenting to a future session of the Board for its approval an agreement between Unesco and UNIDO (78 EX/Decision 7.1) ,
2. Having considered the Director-General's report entitled "Draft agreement between the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization" (105 EX/53) and the draft agreement itself reproduced in Annex I to that document,
3. Approves the draft agreement;
4. Authorizes the Director-General to sign it on behalf of Unesco.

(105 EX/SR.2, 7)

ITEM 8 ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS

8.1 New ways and means of mustering additional financial resources for Unesco's programme (105 EX/38 and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the report of the Director-General on new ways and means of mustering additional financial resources for Unesco's programme (105 EX/38),
2. Recalling resolution 11.1 adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session.
3. Emphasizing that Unesco should have increased extra-bugetary funds in order fully to assume its operational responsibility in its spheres of competence,
4. Invites the Director-General:
  - (a) to continue his efforts to strengthen and extend the scope of the measures taken in order to enable the Organization to play a greater role in mobilizing resources for co-operation in respect of programmes within its field of competence;
  - (b) to continue his consultations with the other organizations of the United Nations system within the framework of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination (ACC) with a view to devising a common approach in regard to the administrative and overhead costs of projects financed from funds-in-trust;
  - (c) in the event of the common approach referred to under (b) above not being achieved, and after consultation with the Executive Board, to submit proposals for the setting up as from 1981 of a reserve account for project support cost, drawing its resources from the Regular Budget, to finance the administrative and overhead costs of projects supported by funds-in-trust set up for the benefit of the least advanced countries by other countries and organizations;
  - (d) to submit to the General Conference at its twenty-first session an itemized list of needs which have already been identified and which have not so far been sufficiently covered by extra-budgetary resources, including those needs which represent global priorities ;

- (e) to participate in the studies which are to be carried out within the framework of the United Nations system on the consequences of disarmament with a view to the transfer of resources for development purposes.

(105 EX/SR .24)

8.2 Biennial revision of the scale of rentals applicable to Headquarters premises  
(105 EX/39 and Add. and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering the provisions of paragraph 27 of the Regulations on the utilization and terms for letting of Headquarters premises,
2. Raving examined document 105 EX/39 and the recommendations made by the Headquarters Committee at its 77th session (105 EX/39. Add. ),
3. Approves the changes to the Regulations on the utilization and terms for letting of Headquarters premises proposed in paragraphs 5.7 and 6.3 of document 105 EX/39, as well as the scale of charges contained in the Annex;
4. Invites the Director-General, in collaboration with the Headquarters Committee, to seek a new method for calculating the scale of charges, for use during biennia subsequent to 1979-1980.

(105 EX/SR .24)

8.3 Proposed transfers within the budget for 1977-1978 (105 EX/40 and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined the transfers proposed by the Director-General within the 1977-1978 budget in accordance with the terms of the Appropriation Resolution approved by the General Conference at its nineteenth session (19 C/Resolution 8.11, paragraph I. A. (c)) (105 EX/40) and the report of its Finance and Administrative Commission thereon (105 EX/56),
2. Approves the following transfers to cover increases in staff salaries and allowances and in the prices of goods and services resulting from inflation:

	TO	From
	\$	\$
<u>Appropriation Line</u>		
PART I - GENERAL POLICY		
1. General Conference	257,000	-
2. Executive Board	33,000	
3. Directorate	8,000	
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Subtotal, PART I	298,000	
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	To	From
	\$	\$
PART II - PROGRAMME OPERATIONS AND SERVICES		
1. Education	410,000	
1A. International Bureau of Education	5,000	
2. Natural Sciences and their Application to Development	220,000	
3. Social Sciences and their Applications	83,000	
4. Culture and Communication	147,000	
5. General Information Programme	33,000	
6. Copyright, Statistics and Programme Services	184,000	
7. Co-operation for Development and External Relations	198,000	
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Subtotal, PART II	1,280,000	
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PART III - PROGRAMME SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION		
	247,000	
PART IV - PUBLICATIONS, CONFERENCES, LANGUAGES AND DOCUMENTS SERVICES		
1. Office of the Unesco Press	60,000	
2. Bureau of Conferences, Languages and Documents	454,000	
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Subtotal, PART IV	514,000	
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PART V - COMMON SERVICES		
	482,000	
PART VI - APPROPRIATION RESERVE		
		2,821,000
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GRAND TOTAL	2,821,000	2,821,000
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3. Approves the following between-line transfers for the implementation of 19 C/Resolution 10.1:

	To	From
	\$	\$
<u>Appropriation Line</u>		
PART I - GENERAL POLICY		
1. General Conference		10,800
2. Executive Board		114,500
3. Directorate		12,100
Subtotal, PART I		137,400
PART II - PROGRAMME OPERATIONS AND SERVICES		
1. Education		
1A. International Bureau of Education		45,800
2. Natural Sciences and their Application to Development	45,800	
3. Social Sciences and their Applications		30,400
4. Culture and Communication	996,800	
5. General Information Programme	376,900	
6. Copyright, Statistics and Programme Services		290,100
7. Co-operation for Development and External Relations		416,100
Subtotal, PART II	1,419,500	782,400
PART III - PROGRAMME SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION		
	-	134,800
PART IV - PUBLICATIONS, CONFERENCES, LANGUAGES AND DOCUMENTS SERVICES		
1. Office of the Unesco Press	-	62,400
2. Bureau of Conferences, Languages and Documents	-	161,500
Subtotal, PART IV		223,900
PART V - COMMON SERVICES		
		141,000
GRAND TOTAL	1,419,500	1,419,500
4. <u>Approves</u> also the following between-line transfers under the normal Participation Programme :		

	To	From
	\$	\$
<u>Appropriation Line</u>		
PART II - PROGRAMME OPERATIONS AND SERVICES		
1. Education	169,100	
2. Natural Sciences and their Application to Development	196,100	
3. Social Sciences and their Applications		277,200
4. Culture and Communication		26,800
5. General Information Programme	76,100	
6. Copyright, Statistics and Programme Services		32,600
7. Co-operation for Development and External Relations		104,700
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Subtotal, PART II	441,300	441,300
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5. Approves the following between-line transfers proposed by the Director-General concerning cultural statistics :

	To	From
	\$	\$
<u>Appropriation Line</u>		
PART II - PROGRAMME OPERATIONS AND SERVICES		
4. Culture and Communication		15,000
6. Copyright, Statistics and Programme Services	15,000	
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Subtotal, PART II	15,000	15,000
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6. Authorizes the Director-General to make adjustments prior to the closing of the budget accounts within the 1977-1978 budget approved by the General Conference at its nineteenth session, in accordance with the provision of the Appropriation Resolution (19 C/Resolution 8.11, paragraph I A (c) and (d) and to inform the Executive Board at its 107th session of the details of these adjustments made under this authorisation.

- 8.5 Examination of communications received from Member States invoking the provisions of Article IV.C, paragraph 8(c), of the Constitution and recommendations of the Executive Board thereon (105 EX/42 and Add. and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/42 and Add.,
2. Recalling the provisions of Rule 79, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, according to which, before each ordinary session of the General Conference, the Executive Board shall consider communications received from Member States invoking the terms of Article IV. C, paragraph 8(c), of the Constitution and make recommendations thereon in a report to the General Conference,
3. Having examined the communication received from the Dominican Republic, the text of which is reproduced in document 105 EX/42 Add. 1,
4. Considering that, in the case of this Member State, the failure to pay arrears of contributions is due to conditions beyond its control,
5. Recommends that the General Conference permit the Dominican Republic to vote at the twentieth session.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

- 8.6 Report of the External Auditor and Financial Report of the Director-General on the interim accounts of Unesco as at 31 December 1977 for the financial period ending 31 December 1978 (105 EX/43 and Add. and Corr. and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/43 and its Addendum and Corrigendum,
2. Decides to transmit the report of the External Auditor together with the audited financial statements on the interim accounts of Unesco as at 31 December 1977 for the financial period ending 31 December 1978 to the General Conference.

(105 EX/SR .24)

- 8.7 Report of the External Auditor, Financial Report of the Director-General and financial statements relating to the United Nations Development Programme as at 31 December 1977 (105 EX/44 and Add. and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/44 and its Addendum,
2. Decides to transmit to the General Conference the report of the External Auditor together with the audited financial statements relating to funds of the United Nations Development Programme as at 31 December 1977.

(105 EX/SR .24)

- 8.8 Geographical distribution of staff (105 EX/45 and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/45 on the geographical distribution of staff,
2. Notes with satisfaction the measures taken by the Director-General to ensure the implementation of resolution 26.1 adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session;
3. Recalls decision 8.4 which it adopted at its 104th session;
4. Invites the Director-General to communicate to the General Conference, when it examines this question at its twentieth session, the report submitted to the Executive Board by its Finance and Administrative Commission at its 105th session ;

5. Invites Member States, and particularly those not yet represented or under-represented in the Secretariat, to increase their prospecting efforts at national level with a view to identifying a larger number of qualified candidates to place at Unesco's disposal.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

8.9 Salaries, allowances and other benefits of staff in the General Service category (105 EX/45, 20 C/56 Add. and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined documents 105 EX/46 (20 C/56) and 20 C/56 Add.,
2. Noting the report and recommendations of the International Civil Service Commission and the proposals of the Director-General (105 EX/46),
3. Noting also the observations of the Staff Association on the proposals of the International Civil Service Commission (20 C/56 Add.),
4. Transmits documents 105 EX/46 (20 C/56) and 20 C/56 Add. to the General Conference;
5. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the draft resolution in paragraph 35 of document 20 C/56.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

8.10 Long-Term Recruitment Plan

8.10.1 Long-Term Overall Plan for the Recruitment and Renewal of the Staff: Second stage of the Long-Term Recruitment Plan (1979-1980) (105 EX/47 and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/47,
2. Takes note of the draft of the second stage of the Long-Term Recruitment Plan prepared by the Director-General at its request;
3. Decides to transmit the draft second stage of the Long-Term Recruitment Plan to the General Conference and recommend its approval.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

8.10.2 Implementation of the Long-Term Recruitment Plan (105 EX/48 and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling resolution 25.1 adopted by the General Conference at its nineteenth session and decision 7.7 which the Board adopted at its 103rd session,
2. Having examined the report submitted by the Director-General on the implementation of the Long-term Recruitment Plan from June 1977 to June 1978 (105 EX/48),
3. Notes that the measures taken by the Director-General and the progress made in the implementation of the Plan are quite significant, but stresses that improvement is still required, particularly with regard to the situation of the non-represented, heavily under-represented and over-represented nationalities;
4. Invites the Member States and the Director-General to continue the work already done to implement the Plan, and in particular, to increase the proportion of women in posts in the Professional category and above, and also laying greater emphasis on the recruitment of women staff from the under-represented and unrepresented nationalities.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

8.11 Consultations pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board (in private meeting)

The announcement to be found at the end of these decisions reports on the consultations held by the Board on this subject.

(105 EX/SR. 24)



8.12 Appointment of the Chairman and Alternate Chairman of the Appeals Board (in private meeting)

The announcement to be found at the end of these decisions reports on the decision taken by the Board on this subject.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

8.13 Housing loans (105 EX/54 and 105 EX/56)

The Executive Board.

1. Having taken note of the proposals of the Director-General in document 105 EX/54,
2. Transmits those proposals to the General Conference, with the recommendation that they be adopted.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

ITEM 9 OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Report of the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations: Examination of communications received by the Organization concerning cases and questions of violation of human rights in Unesco's fields of competence (105 EX/49 Priv.) (in private meeting)

The announcement to be found at the end of these decisions reports on the Board's examination of this matter.

(105 EX/SR. 24)

9.2 Protection of human rights in Chile: Report of the Director-General on the possibilities of humanitarian assistance to exiles belonging to the fields of education, science, culture and communication (105 EX/50)

The Executive Board decided to defer discussion of this matter until its 107th session.

(105 EX/SR .23)

9.3 Communication from the President of the United Nations Council for Namibia: Request for the admission of Namibia as a member of Unesco (105 EX/17)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the United Nations Council for Namibia, as the legal administering authority empowered to represent Namibia in international organizations, has on 15 August 1978 requested the admission of Namibia as a member of Unesco,
2. Recalling resolution 32/9E of the thirty-second session of the United Nations General Assembly, reaffirmed in resolution S-9/2 of May 1978 of the Ninth Special Session of the General Assembly, which declared "that membership of the United Nations Council for Namibia in the Specialized Agencies and other organizations and bodies within the United Nations system, in conformity with recommendations of the Assembly, is an indispensable element in the fulfilment of the responsibilities of the international community towards the people of Namibia",
3. Noting that Namibia has already been accepted as a member of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization on 14 November 1977 and as a member of the International Labour Organisation on 23 June 1978,
4. Decides, pursuant to Article II, paragraph 2, of Unesco's Constitution, to recommend that the General Conference, at its twentieth session, admit Namibia to membership of the Organization;
5. Recommends that the General Conference include in the agenda of its twentieth session the item "Request for the Admission of Namibia as a Member of Unesco" ;
6. Recommends further that the General Conference adopt the following resolution :

“The General Conference,

Considering that the President of the United Nations Council for Namibia has, on 15 August 1978, requested the admission of Namibia to full membership of Unesco,

Having noted that the Executive Board, at its 105th session, recommended the admission of Namibia to membership of Unesco,

Decides to admit Namibia as a member of Unesco, it being agreed that the United Nations Council for Namibia, established by the United Nations as the legal administering authority for Namibia, “will, as far as the rights and obligations flowing from Namibia’s membership of the Organization are concerned, be regarded as the Government of Namibia until the present illegal occupation of that country is terminated”.

(105 EX/SR. 12, 20)

9.4 Communication from the Prime Minister of Dominica: Request for the admission of Dominica as a member of Unesco (105 EX/55)

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the Prime Minister of Dominica has on 24 September 1978 requested the admission of Dominica as a full member of Unesco,
2. Noting that Dominica will become an independent State on 3 November 1978, the independence settlement having been discussed and agreed between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Dominica,
3. Noting also that the application for admission to membership of Unesco will be confirmed by the Government of Dominica on Independence Day,
4. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the following resolution as soon as confirmation by the Government of Dominica is received:

“The General Conference,

Considering that the Government of Dominica has requested the admission of that country as a full member of Unesco,

Having noted that the Executive Board, at its 105th session recommended the admission of Dominica to full membership of Unesco,

Decides to admit Dominica as a full member of Unesco”.

(105 EX/SR.13, 19)

ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THE PRIVATE MEETINGS HELD ON  
16 17 AND 18 OCTOBER 1978

At its private meetings held on 16, 17 and 18 October 1978, the Executive Board examined items 6.3, 8.11, 8.12 and 9.1 of its agenda.

1. Under item 6.3 it examined recommendations concerning nominations for the offices of the President and Vice-Presidents of the General Conference and of the Chairmen of its Commissions and Committees.

On this occasion the Board decided to recommend that for its twentieth session the General Conference increase the number of Vice-Presidents from 15 to 23, and to this effect suspend the application of the provisions of paragraph 1 of Rules 25, 30, 34 and 38 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference in respect of the number of Vice-Presidents indicated therein.

2. Under item 8.11 of the agenda, in conformity with the provisions of Rule 54 of the Board’s Rules of Procedure, the Director-General consulted the Board on the renewal of some contracts.
3. Under item 8.12 of the agenda the Board adopted the following resolution :

"The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 105 EX/PRIV. 1,
  2. Having regard to subparagraph 2 (a) of the Statutes of the Appeals Board on the membership of the latter,
  3. Invites its Chairman, acting on behalf of the Executive Board and after consultation with the Director-General, to appoint the Chairman and Alternate Chairman of the Appeals Board".
4. Under item 9.1 of its agenda the Board examined and noted the report of its Committee on Conventions and Recommendations relating to that item.

(105 EX/SR. 24)